WEATHER.

Probably rain and warmer Saturday; Sunday clearing and colder.

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THERE are shoals and breakers ahead when the accumulation of new ideas ceases. The man who declares he has no time to read is unconsciously advertising his small caliber, his slavery to detail, his arrested development.—Printer's Ink.

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RULES COMMITTEE TO DEMAND THAT LAWSON NAME HIGH OFFICIALS

Is Believed He Will Again Refuse, and If So He Will be Reported for Contempt

BROADEN "LEAK" INQUIRY

Committee Clothed With Power to Force Witness to Testify. Hearing Resumes Monday

HEATED DEBATE IN HOUSE

Democrats Charge Republicans With Playing Politics

Washington, Jan. 12.—Clothed with new powers for forcing a witness to testify, the House Rules committee will call Thomas W. Lawson before it again, probably Monday, and demand that he name the congressman, who he says told him that a cabinet officer, a member of Congress and a broker were in a conspiracy to make money in the stock market on official secrets.

If Lawson again refuses to name the congressman and the trio involved in his story, as it is generally believed he will, the committee then will report him either to the House or the District courts on contempt charges.

Acrimonious Debate in House

This plan was agreed upon by the committee today after an acrimonious debate between Democrats and Republicans on the floor of the House had upset the generally accepted idea that agitation over rumors of a "leak" in advance of President Wilson's peace note was about to subside. During the discussion Republicans charged that the Democrats were shutting off the inquiry because they were afraid of it, while the Democrats insisted that their opponents were playing partisan politics.

When the House had talked for two hours and was about to vote on the committee's report, Representative Cantrill, of Kentucky, a Democrat, of the committee, made a proposal that changed the whole situation.

"Let the committee be instructed," he said, "to bring Thomas W. Lawson before it and submit to him in writing the questions he refused to answer. If he does not answer, then let Lawson be cited before the bar of this House and determine whether Thomas W. Lawson has more power than the American Congress."

Five More Days to Report

The suggestion was endorsed by members on both sides of the House, including Chairman Henry of the committee, and it was agreed that the committee should have five additional days in which to report on the Wood privileged resolution, a report on which originally was ordered by tomorrow, and Mr. Henry immediately called a meeting of his committee for tomorrow morning to work out plans for re-calling Lawson. Resolutions to broaden the committee's powers probably will be passed by the House tomorrow so the committee can proceed with its hearing Monday.

During the day's debate, the Democrats insisted that no evidence worthy of serious consideration had been produced and that it was useless to continue consideration of rumors. The Republicans, however, insisted that only a thorough investigation would clear Congress of damaging reports which have become current since the "leak" charges were brought.

Both Sides Assail Lawson.

Lawson was asailed on both sides of the House. No one went so far as to say that his charges should be taken seriously, but Republicans continued to urge that now that he had made them he should be forced to "put up or shut up."

Representative Harrison, Democrat, accusing the Republicans of pushing the inquiry for partisan purposes, assailed Representative Wood particularly for introducing his resolution when he was in possesion of no facts and could produce nothing more than a "measley, anonymous letter." He said Mr. Wood owed a public apology to Secretary Lansing, Secretary Tumulty, Mr. Baruch and others for bringing their names into the affair.

Wood Refuses to Apologize.

Mr. Wood replied that he had no apology to offer for introducing the resolution and that he thought a thorough inquiry alone would satisfy the country.

Representative Henry charged that the Republicans in urging the original investigation were in an "infamous political conspiracy against the Democratic administration and the Democratic party." He said aid had been given Representative Wood by Representative Gardner, of Massachusetts, and that Theodore Roosevelt also had helped in the effort to bring about the inquiry.

"Why?" asked Mr. Henry. "Because the President was seeking to bring

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VIEWS OF AUSTRIA OUTLINED IN NOTE

Communication Concerning Peace Situation Addressed to Neutrals and the Holy See

DEVOTES SPACE TO SERBIA

Says That Country's Aggressiveness and Intrigues Made Further Forbearance By The Dual Monarchy Impossible

London, Jan. 12.—Count Czernin von Chudenitz, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, has addressed to the diplomatic representatives of the United States and other neutrals and of the Holy See a note defining the Austro-Hungarian government's views of the situation created by the Entente's reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers, according to a Vienna dispatch under date of Thursday transmitted by Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent.

The note follows the same lines as the German note, the dispatch states, emphasizing particularly the situation existing between Austria and Serbia. In this section the note is thus quoted:

"In the years preceding the Austro-Hungarian ultimatum to Serbia the monarchy displayed sufficient proof of its forbearance towards the ever increasing hostility, aggressive intentions and intrigues of Serbia until the moment when finally the notorious murder at Sarayve, made further indulgence impossible".

In a later passage of the note as quoted in the dispatch appears the following:

"The question as to which sides military situation is the stronger appears idle and may confidently be left to the judgement of the world. The four allied powers now look on their purely defensive war aims as attained, while their enemies travel further and further from the realization of their plans * * *.

"For the enemy to characterize our peace proposals as meaningless before peace negotiations were begun and so long as therefore our peace conditions are unknown is merely to make an arbitrary assertion. We had made full

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TEUTONS ADVANCING ACROSS CARPATHIANS

Cannons Lowered in and Drawn Out of Gorges by Ropes

Ammunition and Food Carried Mostly on Backs of Soldiers—Movements Hampered by Condition of the Terrain.

Berlin, Jan. 12, (via Sayville).—The advance of the Austro-German troops across the wooded Carpathians into Moldavia is being hampered by the unfavorable condition of the terrain. In discussing the campaign in Moldavia the military critic of the Overseas News Agency says:

"Simultaneously with the capture of the southern banks of the Sereth from the Russians, German and Austro-Hungarian troops are pushing ahead irresistibly across the Carpathians into Moldavia. The fighting ground there is made up of narrow canyons, snow covered mountain summits and impenetrable forests.

"Cannon must be lowered into the gorges by ropes and then lifted up in the same manner on the other side. Ammunition and food must be carried mostly on the backs of the soldiers. There has also been bad weather and snowstorm and the temperature has reached 15 degrees below zero. The achievements of these troops must be considered among the greatest of the war, for, inspite of all the difficulties, they are pushing the enemy back step by step.

"The troops of the Central Powers already have reached the outlet from the mountains where the Russians and Rumanians in prepared positions are attempting valnly to bring the advance to a standstill. The southern wing in the Putna and Suchitza valleys is menacing the Russian flank north of Fokshani. Farther northward in the Oituz valley, the defenders have been thrown back by the advance.

"While the forces of the Central Powers on the eastern front are carrying out great strategical operations, the activities of the Anglo-French troops on the western front have been limited to artillery fire and patrol activity, which generally has been undeveloped because of the German curtain of fire. Near Beaumont, north of the Ancre, an insignificant trench has been abandoned to the enemy."

WILSON MAY SEEK NEW METHOD FOR OBTAINING PEACE

His Next Move Probably is to Reconcile Conflicting Attitude of Belligerents

CONFERS WITH LANSING

Colonel House Also Spends Day at White House—Cabinet Discusses Situation.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The attitude of President Wilson toward the replies of the warring nations to his suggestion that an opportunity be given for comparing peace terms remained undetermined tonight. Preliminary discussion of the question was begun at today's cabinet meeting and at conferences between the President and Secretary Lansing and between the President and Colonel E. M. House, who spent the day at the White House.

Informally, officials expressed the opinion that the problem facing the President is how to reconcile the conflicting attitude of the Central Powers and the Entente Allies on the question of comparing terms. The Central Powers having offered to discuss peace at a conference, having given their broad belligerents and the Entente powers, though virtually declining to agree to this will be the first step actually taken terms publicity, it was suggested that the President might seek a new method of having terms compared.

Advocates No Particular Method

In his original note he said he was indifferent as to the means employed to secure this desired end and it was thought he now would avoid putting himself in the position of advocating a particular method. In one administration quarter, it was suggested that one or more European neutrals might urge Germany and her allies to make public their peace terms, and others thought it possible that a voluntary statement might be forthcoming from Berlin after the text of the Entente reply had been handed to the foreign office for its information by Ambassador Gerard.

So far, it is understood, the note has not been transmitted to American diplomats in the Teutonic countries, although it is generally assumed that this will be first step actually taken by the United States. Secretary Lansing broke his silence on the subject today only to say definitely that no action had yet been taken.

It is generally agreed everywhere that the nature of the terms of the Entente, with intimations from German sources that such terms cannot be accepted, make an early peace unlikely. The preliminary view of the administration, however, still is that the door to discussion was not entirely closed.

The German View

The German view here is said to rest entirely with the President whether there will be further negotiations at this time. It is regarded as certain that the Germanic allies will consider any proposition Mr. Wilson may make and that they probably would be willing even to discuss in a conference with their enemies the conditions stated in the Entente reply.

At the same time it is reiterated that Germany and her allies never, upon any consideration, would accept such terms and should they agree to enter a conference to discuss them, it would be with the idea that the Entente might recede from its position. In this connection the Germans express the belief that the Entente set forth in its note the objects it desired to achieve rather than the only terms upon which it would make peace and that as the communication was written for publication broadcast, it probably could not be expected that objects or terms less moderate than those given could have been stated.

Extreme reticence was observed today at the White House and State Department. It was said so many delicate points are involved that very careful study will be given to the problem before any decision is reached.

First Milestone Reached

The view was generally expressed that the first milestone in the negotiations inaugurated by Mr. Wilson had been reached and that there would have to be a general assessment of the entire situation before any further move could be made. No estimate was placed on the probable time which may elapse before the decision of the President is made known, although the long conference between the President and Secretary Lansing today coming so soon after the receipt of the Entente note, was taken to mean that there will be no unnecessary delay.

Peace and the questions allied with it were discussed only generally at the cabinet meeting, but afterwards the President and Secretary Lansing went to Mr. Wilson's private study together and remained there for more than an hour. When he left the White House Mr. Lansing refused to answer questions.

BELIEVES CREST OF HIGH PRICES OF PAPER REACHED

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Belief that the crest of the high price of printpaper has been reached was expressed by members of the Western Paper Dealers Association at the annual meeting of the organization here tonight. Members asserted the high prices would decline gradually with a "seeming approach of the end of the European war."

PERSHING'S FORCE MAY SOON RETURN TO AMERICAN SIDE

Troop Withdrawal and Sending Fletcher to His Post Understood as Next Step

WILSON REACHES DECISION

American-Mexican Joint Commission Expected to Hold Its Final Session Monday

Washington, Jan. 12—The next moves to be made by the United States in dealing with the de facto government of Mexico have been decided upon by President Wilson and will be announced after the meeting in New York of the Mexican-American joint commission. Withdrawal of the Pershing expedition across the American border and the sending of Ambassador Fletcher to Mexico City are understood to be the first steps that will be taken.

Secretary Lane and the other members of the American commission will meet Carranza's representatives in New York Monday in what is expected to be the final session of the joint commission. The American commissioners have informed the Mexicans that in view of Carranza's repeated refusal to ratify the protocol signed at Atlantic City, they regard further conferences as useless. Their attitude is approved by the President.

Carranza suggested that his refusal to sign the protocol need not prevent the commissioners from considering many questions at issue between the two governments, and the Mexican commissioners may endeavor again Monday to have the conferences resumed.

It was indicated today that the withdrawal of the American troops would be carried out on conditions which Gen. Carranza was asked to agree to notwithstanding his failure to give the plan his sanction.

When negotiations looking to a settlement of the questions are resumed through regular diplomatic channels or otherwise, one of the first questions to be argued by the Mexicans will be in regard to the embargo on arms and ammunition. Carranza has protested the means of fighting his enemies, but the administration contends that supplies intended for his forces have found their way too easily into the hands of bandit forces.

Careful study by the administration of representations from Mexico has not convinced officials of the truth of assertions that there has been radical improvement in the military situation in northern Mexico. Conditions in other parts of the country also are far from satisfactory, according to official and unofficial information reaching the State Department.

In determining to withdraw Pershing's force the administration is understood to have been influenced chiefly by the unanimous belief of Army officials that the troops are in a poor strategic position and would be of more service in patroling the border if brought back to the American side to

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Conspired To Kill Governor Johnson?

CHARGES MADE AGAINST ANARCHIST EDITOR AND SEVEN OTHERS BY PROSECUTOR AT MOONEY TRIAL

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—Alexander Berkman, editor of The Blast, an anarchist publication, and seven others prominent in labor circles here, today were charged with having directed a conspiracy to assassinate Senator-elect Hiram W. Johnson, "blow up the state," and to overthrow the government. Those who are alleged to be associated with Berkman include Miss M. E. Fitzgerald, his secretary; Robert Minor, treasurer for the International Workers Defense League; Thos. J. Mooney, labor organizer, and four others who are on trial with him for murder in connection with the bomb explosion that killed participants in the preparedness parade here last July.

The charges were made by Assistant District Attorney Edward A. Cunha during the Mooney trial. He declared that proof of his charges was contained in letters and papers seized in a recent raid on the offices of The Blast.

Cunha said that at the proper time, Berkman, Miss Fitzgerald and Minor would be arrested and charged with murder in connection with the bomb explosion as the leaders of the alleged conspiracy.

At the Mooney trial District Attorney Charles M. Fickert charged Mooney wrote an article in an Industrial Workers of the World publication in Cleveland, O., in October, 1914, in which Mooney declared that unless Governor Johnson pardoned two men convicted as the result of the killing of a district attorney of Sutter county, California, in 1914 "he would only have himself to blame if he got hurt." Fickert said he had further evidence which would be produced at the proper time connecting subsequent actions of those accused of the conspiracy.

LEGISLATURE NOW MARKING TIME AND RESTING FROM RUSH

Bill Introduced to Provide for Absentees to Vote in Elections in the State

NEW PENSION BILL PENDING

$175,000 for New Fire Proof Cottage System for School for Blind is Proposed

(By W. J. Martin)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 12.—A bill introduced by Representative Doughton in the House today would provide for the voting of absentees in the elections of the State, the method being the sending of the ballot duly certified to the home polling place not later than the election day. The State's need for this was demonstrated by the loss of votes by the members of the North Carolina Guard last election because they were serving on the Mexican border.

A pension bill by Brummitt, of Granville, would raise the limit of property ownership by Confederate veterans that would bar them from receiving pensions from $500 to $1,000 and make a general raise in the various classes of pensions $8 each so those now receiving $72 would receive $80; those now $60, $68; those $48, $56, and those $32, $40.

The Senate discussed and defeated a resolution to spend $250 for expert examination of the emergency acts passed the past week to correct any errors made in the rush legislation. The understanding is that there will be legislative committees appointed to do this work without expense to the State.

School For Blind

The appropriation of $100,000 for 1917 and $75,000 in 1918 toward a new fire proof cottage system and heating plant for the North Carolina school for the Blind is provided in a bill offered today in the Legislature by Senator Harding, who is president protem of the Senate. The purpose is to abandon the present old buildings for the school in this city and erect the new plant on the eighty-acre place that the State owns for the purpose just west of Raleigh. The bill also carries $85,000 for annual maintenance of the school with an extra allowance of $1,000 for dental work, treatment of eyes by specialists and the like.

Senator Harding also offered a companion bill that would change the title of the head of the institution from "principal" to superintendent.

Great numbers of the legislators, both Senators and Representatives, have gone to their homes for the week end, being assured that the General Assembly will "mark time" for a few days now recovering from the tremendous strain all have been under during the rush of emergency bills and the inaugural ceremonies. The Senate will not meet again until Monday afternoon. The House recessed to 11:30 Saturday.

To Examine County Audits

New bills introduced included one by Davenport to provide for the examination of the accounts of all county auditors by representatives of the Corporation Commission.

Senator Bennett, of Swain, was named by Lieutenant Governor Gardner as temporary chairman of the committee on calendar during the continuance of the illness of Chairman Burgwyn.

There was laid before the Senate a joint resolution providing for the verification of the emergency bill rush work of the Assembly the past week with a view to detecting clerical or typographical errors that might have crept in during the rush work. The resolution proposed the appropriation of $250 to be paid to some person competent to perform the duty thoroughly, presumably a lawyer.

Senator Scales raised objection as an unnecessary expense. It seemed to him as a move to give some lawyer a snug fee to do service that some members of the Legislature ought to perform.

Senator Linn advocated the resolution, saying that the committee on rules had considered the objection mentioned by Senator Scales and had reached the conviction that the five hundred bills rushed through the past week should receive more scrutiny than any combination of members of the Legislature could possibly give them. He believed that there would be justification in paying some one $100 per week to do this work thoroughly, so that corrections of all errors can be made before the session ends.

Senators Get the Job

Senator Brenizer thought the resolution should not be passed, considering it an unnecessary expense. He would do his part gladly. Senator Jones and Senator Person joined in this. Finally, there came from Senator Allen, of Wayne, the observation that Senator Person virtually admitted that he was the best lawyer in the Senate and that the task could be entrusted to him, with the assistance of Senators Scales and Jones, who were the next best. He had introduced the resolution but he would withdraw it if these able lawyers were named as a committee to do this necessary work. Senator Jones said he would serve if Senators Allen and Linn were added. Senator Allen was the only "aye" when the vote was taken on the resolution.

Convicts Bill Goes Over

The hour for the special order had arrived, it being the resolution by Sen-

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ITALIAN BATTLESHIP SUNK WITH THE LOSS OF 675 OF HER CREW

Rome Officially Announces That the Regina Margherita Struck Mine on December 11.

ONLY 270 ABOARD ESCAPED

Turkish Headquarters Reports the Sinking British Cruiser of Juno Type by Gunfire

IN EAST MEDITERRANEAN

British Make Successful Raids North of Arras in France

At sea the Entente Allies have suffered additional losses. The sinking of the Italian battleship Regina Margherita, of 13,000 tons, on December 11, with the loss of 675 men, is announced officially in Rome. Two hundred and seventy of the crew escaped.

A Turkish official report of January 11 says a British cruiser of the Juno type, measuring 5,600 tons, was sunk by Turkish gunfire during an attack on the island of Kastelorizo in the eastern Mediterranean.

ROME OFFICIALLY REPORTS SINKING OF BATTLESHIP

Rome, via Paris, Jan. 12.—It is officially announced that the Italian battleship Regina Margherita struck a mine and sank December 11. Six hundred and seventy-five men on board perished. Two hundred and seventy were saved.

SWISS PAPER REPORTS THE SINKING OF ITALIAN SHIP

Berlin, Jan. 12, (via Sayville).—The loss of 600 lives by the destruction of an Italian battleship is reported by the Anzeiger, of Basel, Switzerland, according to the Overseas News Agency.

"The Anzeiger, of Basel, reports from Rome the destruction of the Italian battleship Reina Margherita," says the News Agency. "It is confirmed that she was sunk off Aviona, Albania, by a mine or a torpedo. Six hundred out of 830 sailors perished."

BRITISH CRUISER OF JUNO TYPE IS SUNK BY TURKS

Berlin, Jan. 12, (via Sayville).—A British cruiser of the Juno type (5,600 ton vessels) has been destroyed by Turkish gun fire, it is announced in the Turkish headquarters report of January 11. The announcement occurs in a statement on the Caucasus front operations as follows:

"Caucasus front: We opened a surprise fire against hostile ships in Port Meys. We destroyed by a direct hit a British cruiser of the Juno type. The cruiser had no time to open fire. The wreck of the cruiser is still burning.

"A torpedo boat escaped after one of her masts had been broken by our fire while a patrol boat of unknown nationality received a direct hit. The patrol boat escaped southward badly damaged."

INFANTRY FIGHTING TAKING PLACE IN THE ANCRE REGION

While Berlin asserts that infantry engagements are in progress north of the river Ancre in France, the British official communication merely reports the situation in that area by reporting the capture of an additional small number of prisoners, apparently as the result of a patrol raid. Berlin credits the British with two attacks in this sector and adds that the fighting continues.

The British have been successful in raids north of Arras and the French have captured prisoners in a sortee in the Vosges.

In the Oituz valley in Moldavia the Austro-Germans continue to advance against the Russians and Rumanians, while in the Suchitza valley they repulsed attacks by the Russians. Rumanian troops attacked the Austro-Germans in the Kassina valley and drove them back more than a mile, Petrograd states.

The forces of Field Marshal von Mackensen are reported to be progressing between Braila and Galatz. The Russians have been pushed back further toward the Sereth and the town of Lupartea has been taken.

Around Riga, on the northern end of the eastern front, the fighting apparently has died down to isolated attacks. Neither Petrograd nor Berlin in their latest communications record any great activity in this region.

POINTS OUT THE INCREASING DIFFICULTIES OF NEUTRALS

London, Jan. 12.—King Haakon, in his speech from the throne at the opening of the Storthing today, says a Reuter dispatch from Christiania, referred to the constantly increasing difficulties that neutrals are experiencing owing to the war. He said that the Norwegian government had endeavored to observe a strict neutrality towards all belligerents and advocates the election of a special committee in the Storthing, which the government could summon for consultation.

400,000 POUNDS OF POWDER DESTROYED

Explosion at Dupont Plant at Haskell, N. J., Last Night Heard for Miles Around

TWO MEN SO FAR MISSING

Detonations Followed Quickly by Big Fire—Many Buildings in Village Shattered—Estimate of Loss Not Obtainable.

New York, Jan. 12.—Four hundred thousand pounds of powder was destroyed by fire at the Haskell, N. J., ammunition plant of the Dupont Powder Company at 9:30 o'clock tonight.

Officials of the company declared after checking up the members of the night shift at the works, that only two men were missing. Twelve others were cut by flying debris, but none of them was seriously hurt. No estimate of the loss was obtainable.

The explosions were of terrific force and were felt for many miles in all directions. The detonations were followed almost immediately by a fire which could be seen as far away as Yonkers, and at distant points in New Jersey. The Haskell plant covers several acres and is one of the company's largest.

The general manager of the Haskell plant, who was reached by telephone soon after the explosion, said the entire plant probably had been destroyed. In the plant and the village were several hundred buildings.

The concussion blew a tremendous hole in the side of a mountain near which the plant was built.

There were two distinct explosions of terrific force. Buildings were shaken and windows shattered far out on Long Island and up the Hudson river to Poughkeepsie.

The first explosion was in what is known as "the glazing barrel." The fire which resulted leaped to the blending house and from there to three magazines. One of the magazines blew up but the powder in the others was consumed by the flames.

The blazing magazines set fire to the screening house, from this the flames leaped across Wanaque river and consumed three drying houses. The fire

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CRAIG GIVEN ROYAL WELCOME HOME AGAIN

Handsome Silver Service and Water Set Presented.

Declares He Has Returned to Live and Die Among the "Grand Old Mountains of Western North Carolina"

(Special Star Telegram)

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 12.—Hon. Locke Craig, private citizen, was given a royal reception and welcome on his arrival here today to take up his residence again in Asheville. The ex-Governor arrived here just at noon, his train being about an hour late, and was met at the station by a reception committee of prominent citizens who filled twenty automobiles.

The committee, headed by Judge J. D. Murphy and Mayor J. E. Rankin, escorted Governor Craig to the Majestic theatre, which was filled with citizens, eager to welcome the city's distinguished son to Asheville.

Judge Murphy, Dr. Geo. T. Winston and Thomas J. Harkins made addresses of welcome, Mr. Harkins concluding his address with the presentation of a handsome silver service and silver water set. Locke Craig, Jr., two years old, while not on the program, made the first address of welcome. As the orchestra finished the overture, Locke, Jr., held in the arms of Judge Phillip C. Cocke, waved his hand at Governor Craig and called "Hello, Daddy". He was given an enthusiastic outburst of applause.

Governor Craig appeared to be deeply moved by the reception and the magnificent silver service tendered him. He declared that he had come back to live and die among the grand old mountains of Western North Carolina.

"I appreciated, more than I ever can tell, the office of Chief Executive of this State, conferred on me by the people", he said, "but no convict that I have turned out of the penitentiary was ever more glad than I am to lay aside the cares of office and live again in Western North Carolina, a private citizen. And, of all the receptions and tokens of esteem that have been tendered me, there is none that holds a place of such importance in my heart

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MUNITIONS PLANT LOSS $16,000,000

Officials Say Fire and Explosions "Possibly, if Not Probably, of Incendiary Origin"

THEY ISSUE A STATEMENT

Shells Belonging to the Russian Government Valued at $10,000,000 Destroyed—So Far as Learned No One Was Killed.

New York, Jan. 12.—A statement that the fire and explosions which wrecked the plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company at Kingsland, N. J., yesterday, was "possibly, if not probably, of incendiary origin" was issued here today by the officials of the company. The total loss, it was said, was $16,000,000.

Of this total $10,000,000 consists of shells and explosives owned by the Russian government. The rest was in destroyed property of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, of which half was covered by insurance.

Until investigation is completed no further statement will be made as to what evidences of incendiarism have been found, an officer of the company said.

It was explained that the danger of fire or of explosions from purely accidental causes was reduced to minimum by the fact that no completed ordnance was on hand at the plant. The officer said the propelling charges for the shells were not attached until they reached the battlefield and that the same was true as to the detonating caps by which the Trinitrotuluol in the shell bodies is exploded.

The statement said the Kingsland plan was used for the assembling, packing and preparing of these shells for shipment. Large quantities of these shells have been shipped to Russia. The statement follows:

"The buildings destroyed were valued at $750,000. The value of the contents destroyed amounted approximately to $16,000,000, of which $6,000,000 belonged to the company. The company was protected to the amount of above $3,000,000 in insurance on buildings and contents—the rest is a total loss.

So far as we have been able to ascertain no one was killed or seriously injured as a result of the first and subsequent explosions.

"Investigation of the circumstance surrounding the origin of the fire in building No. 30 has created the impression that it is possible, if not probable, that the fire was of incendiary origin.

"It is quite possible that the buildings will not be reconstructed. The entire plant was most carefully guarded and every safe-guard known to science had been installed, and every possible provision made to safe-guard the adjoining premises against injuries resulting from the explosion.

"The company had seized insurance in favor of the inhabitants of Kingsland which we understand will more than cover any loss or damage to buildings in that town. The reports with regard to the fire are somewhat exaggerated and sensational."

WM. PHILLIPS IS NOMINATED ASSISTANT SECRETARY STATE

He is a Republican and Has Seen 13 Years in Diplomatic Service.

Washington, Jan. 12.—William Phillips, of Massachusetts, third Assistant Secretary of State, wa nominated by President Wilson today as Assistant Secretary of State, was nominated by Osborne, who recently resigned. Breckenridge Long, a St. Louis lawyer, was nominated as third assistant.

Mr. Phillips, who is a Republican, has been in the diplomatic service for 13 years and since the beginning of the European war devoted his attention as third Assistant Secretary almost exclusively to European affairs. His record of promotions in the service has been regarded as exceptional and his elevation to a post second in rank only to the Secretary and Counselor of the department is understood to have been decided upon despite strong pressure to induce the President to make a political appointment.

RULES COMMITTEE TO DEMAND THAT LAWSON NAME HIGH OFFICIALS

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about peace and these gentlemen were trying to tie his hands."

Favors Jailing Lawson.

While insisting there was absolutely no evidence back of any of the charges, Mr. Henry declared he was willing that the committee should summon Lawson again, and said he was in favor of "putting him in a common jail," should be continue to defy the committee.

Whatever the action of the House may be in relation to Mr. Lawson's refusal to answer questions, most of the members concede that there is little chance that he will suffer any penalty. The power of this Congress to punish a person in contempt will expire on March 4 and it is pointed out that Lawson, by suing for a writ of habeas corpus could probably keep his case in court until after that date.

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preparations for the acceptance of our offer to make known our peace conditions on entering into the negotiations. We declared ourselves ready to end the war by a verbal exchange of views with the enemy governments and it depended solely on our enemy's decision whether peace was brought about or not.

"Before God and mankind, we repudiate responsibility for continuance of the war."

Weak Kidneys

regulated and made strong by the celebrated Shivar Mineral Water. Positively guaranteed by money-back offer. Tastes fine; costs a trifle. Delivered anywhere by our Wilmington Agents, Elvington's Pharmacy, Cor. 2nd and Princess Sts.

THAW IS NOT LIKELY TO RESIST REMOVAL

Will Probably be Able to Leave Hospital in Two Weeks.

Will Be Taken to New York to Face Trial on Charge of Assaulting Gump Boy—Oliver Brower Is Still Held.

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.—Plans for the removal to New York of Harry K. Thaw, who yesterday attempted to commit suicide as he was about to be surrendered to the New York authorities on charges of kidnaping and assaulting Frederick Gump, Jr., of Kansas City, as soon as he is able to leave the hospital, were discussed at a conference late today between counsel for Oliver A. Brower and representatives of the Thaw interests. Later it was announced that no efforts to prevent his removal are likely to be made.

Brower, who is under indictment in connection with the Gump charges, was held without bail to await requisition papers that will remove him to New York. The papers are expected tomorrow.

Brower's hearing was brief. Assistant District Attorney Black, of New York, informed the magistrate that the crime with which Brower was connected was a particularly atrocious one and asked that he be held until requisition papers arrive. Henry Scott, counsel for Brower, said that his client has nothing to do with the crime charged against Thaw. He said Brower was a business friend of Thaw's in Pittsburg and that papers bearing on the Gump case found in Brower's possessio had been given him by Thaw and that he had no knowledge of their contents.

After bail was refused Brower, his counsel made application for a writ of habeas corpus and Judge Patterson, in common pleas court, fixed Monday for hearing argument. The arrival of the requisition papers prior to that time, however, would nullify the habeas corpus proceedings, according to assistant District Attorney Taulane. Meanwhile Brower is locked up in the county prison.

Thaw's condition was reported tonight as "good" and unless complications arise, his physicians say he will be able to leave the hospital within two weeks. Dr. Elwood R. Kirby, of this city, who is attending Thaw, said the fear that Thaw had swallowed slow poison tablets, several of which were found in his pockets, had been allayed. Dr. Kirby said it probably would be 48 hours before Thaw would be able to talk or make any statement. "He is only able to eat liquid foods," said the doctor. These are given to him through a feeder. He does not know he is under arrest."

SIX POULTRYMEN ARRESTED FOR INSTIGATING MURDER.

Charged With Hiring Gunmen to Kill Barnett Baff Two Years Ago.

New York, Jan. 12.—Six poultrymen were arrested here today on indictments charging them with murder in the first degree for instigating the shooting of Barnet Baff, a rival poultry dealer, nearly two years ago, this is the outcome of a confession said by District Attorney Swann to have been made by Antonio Cardinale, recently brought back from Italy. According to the prosecutor, Cardinale admitted that he and Ippilito Greco, who afterward was murdered, received $4,800 to employ gunmen to kill Baff.

The motive for the killing of Baff, Assistant District Attorney O'Mally said, was revenge for Baff's supposed efforts to drive the accused men out of the poultry business. The six men arrested are Abraham Graff, William Stimer, a member of the poultry firm of Simon & Company; David Jacobs, a partner of Cardinale in the poultry business; Joseph Cohen and Jacob Cohen, brothers-in-law of Jacobs, and Moe Rosenstein, employed at Washington market.

TWO U. S. ARMY AVIATORS LOST IN LOWER CALIFORNIA

Mounted Mexican Soldiers Unable to Find Any Trace of the Men.

Calexico, Cal., Jan. 12—Mounted Mexican soldiers who searched for two American Army aviators supposed to be lost in Lower California, returned today with reports that no trace of the men had been found. United States customs agents also made the same report.

Lieutenant Colonel Bishop and Lieutenant Robertson left the North Island aviation station near San Diego, Cal., Wednesday, in an attempt to make a non-stop flight to Calexico. They carried neither food nor water, expecting to arrive here within a few hours. They have not since been heard from.

NOT IN FAVOR OF RADICAL CHANGE IN MILITARY POLICY

Resolution to This Effect Adopted By House Military Committee

Washington, Jan. 12.—An effort today to put the House Military committee on record against universal military training failed, but resulted in the adoption of a resolution declaring that no radical change of military policy should be considered in framing this year's army appropriation bill.

While some of the members of Congress and army officers most active in the movement for universal training had hoped for action at the present session, most of them now are convinced that the proposed legislation will not get beyond the formative stage by March 4. Senator Chamberlain, whose universal training bill is before a Senate sub-committee, sees little prospects that it will receive more than committee approval before adjournment.

To Erect Big Glass Plant

Kingsport, Tenn., Jan. 12—Plans have been completed for the construction of an immense glass plant here by the DeCamp Glass Company, composed largely of Memphis capitalists. The concern is capitalized at $1,000,000. It will manufacture glassware of all kinds but will make a specialty of glass coffins. Actual construction of the plant will b gin as soon as material can be obtained.

C. H. Fore and Co. Will Sell today $3.50 and $4.00 Sweaters for $1.50. —(Adv.)

IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

Players Fraternity Will Be "Crushed"

PRESIDENT BAN JOHNSON, OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, DECLARES FULTZ WILL BE DRIVEN OUT OF BASEBALL.

Chicago, Jan. 12—Threats of David L. Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, to call a strike of between 600 and 700 players unless their demands are granted before the beginning of the 1917 season, were answered here tonight by President Johnson, of the American League, who declared Fultz would be driven out of baseball and that the fraternity would be crushed. He added that every player in the American League would be obliged to sign a contract before going to the spring training camps.

The American League, Mr. Johnson said, is through with Fultz.

"We never again shall listen to any proposal he may offer," President Johnson said. "We invite him to carry out his bluff. I, personnally, do not believe the players are back of Fultz. I think he has been using a power to send out statements without authority from the players themselves.

"The American League has been fair with its players and will continue to treat them fairly without the aid of Mr. Fultz."

President Johnson also declared that John Henry, catcher of the Washington club, a representative of the Players' Fraternity, could either drop his affiliations with the fraternity or quit the American League.

"Henry or any other player in the American League who refuses to sign a contract because of the fraternity wi l be barred. We propose to lay a strong hand on Henry and others like him."

WAKE FOREST DEFEATS Y. M. C. A. OF DURHAM IN BASKETBALL

Wake Forest, N. C., Jan. 12.—Carlyle's clever passing and effective goal shooting enabled Wake Forest to defeat Durham Y. M. C. A. tonight in the first game of the season, 32 to 19, the Baptist's midget forward contributing exactly half of his team's total score. Franks scored the other 16 points and shared the honors of the victory with Carlyle. The visitors were dangerous at all stages and the victors did not outclass them as much as the score would indicate.

It was not until the last eight minutes that Wake Forest was able to break a tie at 14 and forge a way to victory.

TRINITY TAKES FIRST GAME OF SEASON FROM ELON

Elon College, N. C., Jan. 12.—Elon opened the season of basket ball with Trinity in one of the fastest games of basketball that ever was played here. The game from start to finish was very exciting and at no time was the victory evident for either.

Franks scored six field goals for Elon and at all times showed great skill at his position. Pinny Ferrell secured the majority of points for Trinity and had he been watched carefully it might not have been.

Sewell and Sorrell deserve great praise for holding these fleety fellows within reach. The final score was 33 to 21 in favor of Trinity.

J. E. JONES WINS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP AT PINEHURST

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 12.—J. E. Jones, Providence, won the singles championship in the mid-winter tennis tournament here today by defeating Howard Cordes, Cincinnati, 6-2, 6-0, 6-0. Jones secures permanent possession of the cup on which he previously had won two legs.

Miss Florence Ballin and Otto Salm, New York, won the mixed doubles finals, defeating Miss Em. Cohen, Philadelphia, and Hugh C. Whitehead, Norfolk, in two straight sets.

Miss Ballin and Miss Cohen will meet in the women's singles finals tomorrow.

VOLLEY BALL TONIGHT

Ministers And Champions to Clash At Y. M. C. A.

The Ministers' volley ball team will take on the champion Strickland aggregation in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium tonight at 8 o'clock. The preachers are confident that they can lambast the champions while the latter are not so sure about it. However, there promises to be a good scrap. Lineup, Ministers, Hall, McRae, Clausen, Sullivan, Koelling, Huntington, Robertson. Strickland's Champions, Strickland, Thees, Sheppard, Wilder, Mitchell, Taylor, Snyder.

BOPP AND VON SCHACK HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY RELIEVED

Dr. Zoephffel in Charge of Consular Office at San Francisco.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Count Bernstorff, the German ambassador, today informed the State Department in a note that he had relieved from duty Franz Bopp and E. H. von Schack, respectively counsul general and vice consul at San Francisco, recently convicted of violating the neutrality of the United States by conspiring to destroy munitions consigned to the Entente Allies.

Dr. Erich Zoephffel, German consul general at Seattle, the State Department was informed, has been ordered to San Francisco to take the place of Bopp temuorarily.

DELEGATIONS NAMED TO ATTEND COL. CODY'S FUNERAL

Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 12.—Both houses of the Wyoming legislature today appointed a delegation to attend the funeral of Col. Wm. F. Cody in Denver Sunday. The two houses will adjourn tomorrow out of respect for the noted plainsman.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 12.—The state legislature today voted unanimously to send delegations to Denver to attend the funeral of Colonel Cody Sunday.

Now is the Time to Buy Furs Cheap at C. H. Fore & Co.—(Adv.)

GOOD GAMES LAST NIGHT

Red Sox and Athletics Winners in Opening Games of "Y" League's Second Season Last Night.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Red Sox	1	0	1.000
Athletics	1	0	1.000
Tigers	0	1	.000
Americans	0	1	.000

Games next Friday—Tigers vs Athletics; Red Sox vs Americans.

The Red Sox, consistent tail-enders in the first half of the Y. M. C. A. basketball league, come into their own last night when they defeated the Tigers 18 to 14, in the opening game of the second season, after one of the most exciting games of the year. The Athletics and Americans, ancient rivals, clashed in the first game and the Athletics won, 24 to 18.

Gerdes, the Athletics center, was the bright star of the first game, and with six goals led his team to victory. Houston and Little also showed good form. The game was fast and cleanly played, and was anybody's victory until the final lap.

The second game, however, was the most exciting skirmish of the evening and was one that brought the spectators to their feet. The Redlegs presented a team work that was almost perfect, and were right after their opponents from the jump. Rhodes was the shining light for the losers. The score in this game was tied until the final few minutes of play.

The line-ups were as follows: Americans—Myers, Hanson, forwards; Little, center; Gallagher and Houston, guards; Athletics—N. Davis, Fillyaw, forwards; Gerdes, center; McManus, Lewis, guards. Scoring, Myers 1 goal; Little 6; Houston 2; Davis 3; Fillyaw 2; Gardes 6.

Red Sox—Farmer and Ruark, forwards; Rich, center; K. Davis, Kelly, guards; Tigers—Huband, Applewhite, Davis, forwards; Rhodes, centre; Stein, Rennie, guards. Scoring, Farmer 3 goals; Ruark 3; Rich 4; Huband 5; Rennie 1; Davis 1.

FUNERAL IN GOLDSBORO

Mrs. Sarah B. Griswold Passes Away in Baltimore, Md.

(Special Star Telegram).

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 12.—A telegram today to C. J. Griswold, her nephew in this city, from Baltimore, announces the death of Mrs. Sarah B. Griswold ,which occurred at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. C. P. Peyton, in that city suddenly Thursday. Mrs. Griswold was greatly loved in Goldsboro where she lived for many years. Deceased is survived by a son and two daughters, Edward Griswold, of South Mill, S. C., Mrs. J. W. Larmour, of Maryland, and Mrs. Sudia Adams, of Erie, Pa. She was a member of St. Stephens church, this city, from which the funeral will be held Sunday afternoon and interment made in Willowdale cemetery, beside her late husband.

STARS ARE VINDICATED.

Astrologer Who Made Wrong Guess on Late Election.

(From Detroit News.)

Gustave Meyer, of Hoboken, is an astrologer. Gustave Meyer cast the horoscopes of Charles E. Hughes and Woodrow Wilson, and after careful study said that Mr. Hughes would be elected President. How many people took his word for it, we cannot say; but when California was heard from, Mr. Meyer was harshly critisized, and what folks said about astrology made the recording angels stick their fingers in their ears.

But Mr. Meyer insists that he was right. He is willing to admit that Mr. Hughes was not elected, but that is neither his fault nor the fault of the exact science, which he venerates. Mr. Meyer is under the impression that Mr. Wilson was born at 35 minutes past 11 on the morning of December 28, 1856. If that were so, he could not have won the election. The planets forbade it. Inasmuch as he did win, he certainly was not born at the minute when Mr. Meyer was told he was born. Thus astrology triumphs.

If this explanation suggests the plight of the man who was cured of far-sightedness, but who could not read a letter because his arm was not long enough to hold it at the proper focus, it is probably because the reader is prejudiced. The true secret of greatness does not lie in persistency, in hard work, in poor parentage. It lies in being born when the planets are most favorable. Away with eugenics! Astrology is the only study for fathers and mothers.

CRAIG GIVEN ROYAL WELCOME HOME AGAIN

(Continued From Page One).

as this reception and this magnificent gift which my own people have this day tendered me."

Governor Craig was given an ovation at the conclusion of his speech and shook hands with several hundreds of people.

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Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

Alexander Refuses to Sign

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 12.—Grover Alexander, a prominent member of the Philadelphia Nationals pitching staff, today mailed his contract unsigned to the Philadelphia Club saying that he believed he should receive more money for his services. Alexander has been spending the winter at his home in Saint Paul, Neb.

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Limber up! Quit complaining! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil" at any drug store, and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. "St. Jacob's Oil" has cured millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century ,and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains.

Everyone Should Drink Glass Of Water To Clean Kidneys

If Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers You Drink Lots of Water.

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with cold water and kidneco which removes the body's urinous waste and stimulates them to their normal activity. The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of water—you can't drink too much; also get from J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., about one dozen 5 grain kidneco tablets, take one tablet before each meal and at bedtime with a glass of water for a few days and your kidneys will act fine. This famous remedy is made from perfectly harmless ingredients and acts quickly, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executrix of John W. Cuoton, deceased, late of New Hanover county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 13th day of January, 1917.

CORNELIA CUOTON,
Executrix.

RECOMMENDATION AS TO AMATEUR RULE SUSTAINED.

New York, Jan. 12.—The United States Golf Association early this morning by a vote of 80 to 12 decided to sustain the recommendation of the executive committee on the amateur rule.

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THEATRICAL

LeComte and Flesher, the well known theatrical producers, have prepared for exploitation a new musical comedy jingle called "September Morn," coming to the Academy of Music today, matinee and night. William Moore with a jolly crew of nearly fifty assistant entertainers accompanying. Arthur Gillespie is responsible for the book and lyrics—Aubrey Stauffer wrote the music; Virgil Bennett thought out a series of lively dances, tangoes, etc., and Frank Tannehill, Jr., staged the production.

"September Morn" is a delightful song and dance show. It is a clean, bright, snappy musical comedy, embracing all the latest songs and dances, while the chorus of good-looking girls have the big ensembles well in hand and the general swing of the performance is delightfully new and different.

Ruth Wilkins, "the American Gaby Deslys," is seen in this revel of fun, songs and tangos and a series of dances now the rage in America; and the smartest company of the season from the LaSalle Opera House, Chicago, where "September Morn" recently enjoyed a fine, big hit run. Prices, first 10 rows lower floor $1.50, balcony 50 and 75 cents; bargain matinee, lower floor 75 cents, balcony 50 cents. Seats now selling at Elvington's Front street pharmacy.

Robert Edeson Coming

From the advance reports that have come to this city, we feel warranted in calling attention of the theatre-goers of Wilmington to the forthcoming engagement here at an early date at the Academy of Music of Mr. Robert Edeson in his new play, "His Brother's Keeper." Mr. Edeson is best known as one of America's most popular stars. His characterization of the great North American Indian "Strongheart" is probably best known among the many parts he has created. He has taken as his theme for his new play the much discussed question, "To what extend is a man responsible for his brother's actions?"

At The Bijou Today

George Bronson Howard, the famous novelist and playwright, recently wrote a remarkable short story which was published in that high class magazine "Smart Set." The Universal was quick to see great possibilities for a film play, but instead of making a big feature photoplay of it, they have crammed and jammed it into the red-bloodedest two reel drama you ever saw, and put it on the regular program, and it comes to the Bijou as the headliner for today.

And starring in this remarkable drama is the beautiful Louise Lovely, known to fame as one of the very most beautiful young ladies on the screen, who has recently been appearing in big Bluebird productions. Playing opposite her is the handsome leading man, Allan Holubar, and it was produced by one of the most marvelous new processes which gives the most wonderfully beautiful lighting effects ever seen on a screen.

A Great Nestor comedy scream, "Pretty Baby" stars the whole Nestor bunch of popular fun makers and is also on today's rousing Saturday bill.

Then comes the great Animated Weekly which, among other grea things, contains views of the blowing up of a $3,000,000.00 power dam at Whitney, North Carolina recently to keep the back water from flooding a wide area of country.

Mary Pickford Monday

Much interest is shown in the forthcoming presentation here of Mary Pickford's first picture in which she appears as an independent star, the part of no programme and giving an entire afternoon and evening performance with a production described as one of the costliest and most elaborate ever made for this famous and favored little woman. It is called "Less Than the Dust," taking its title from a poem by the same name written by Laurence Hope. The scenario is by Hector Turnbull, who has given Mary Pickford a part that offers every opportunity for her delightful comedy and appealing note of pathos. The scenes are laid in a city in India and in England and there are any number of tense and dramatic situations. John Emerson directed the picture for the camera and the cast is one of distinction surrounded by a playing company of nearly two hundred and fifty people. It will be presented by the Artcraft Pictures Corporation, and is scheduled for presentation at the Victoria, two days, matinee and night, next Monday and Tuesday.

Charlie Chaplin at Grand.

Take a good supply of breath before you go to the Grand today. For today is to be the day that that greatest of all Mutual Chaplin comedy screams, "Behind the Screens," is to be presented, and you won't have time to catch any breath after you get there.

The picture starts out with a bang and keeps on banging so hard through every single foot that you don't dare blink an eyelash for fear you'll miss something.

Get right down in the midst of a motion picture studio—a real studio, where an honest to-goodness director can be seen tearing his hair and shouting through his megaphone, where the pretty girls are being kicked out—there is an unlimited opportunity for the wild destruction that follows in Chaplin's wake. He plays the role of a stage carpenter, and he goes about his work of knocking over cameras, setting up columns, doing everything he should not do and acting the part of the poor, willing, benighted simpleton as unconsciously as the bear skin rug lying on the floor.

When it's all over you feel as if you had seen something more than an absurd slap-stick comedy. You sort of feel akin with the little chap. You'd like to take him aside and tell him a thing or two. And at the same time you sheepishly feel of all your vest buttons to see that they are safe.

Mina Cunard, the beautiful sister of Grace, appears in a great two reel Victor comedy scream, "Good Morning, Judge," that contains some other film beauties as well, and will be an extra attraction today.

MARY PICKFORD
As the Little Castaway in "Less Than the Dust," coming to the Victoria Monda yand Tuesday.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN
Presenting His Latest Mutual Comedy Feture, "Behind the Screen," at the Grand Today.

The Six Dancing Dolls With "September Morn," Academy of Music Today, Matinee and Night.

TURNS $365,000 INTO THE STATE TREASURY

Revenue for the Year Through the Insurance Department

Young Will Urge Workmen's Compensation Act—Freight Rate Hearing in Washington—"Town Community Service League"

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 12.—Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young finds that his department will have paid into the State Treasury as revenue through the department by the end of the fiscal year April 1 about $365,000, which will represent a gain of about $15,000 over the revenue to the State from his department the previous year.

Commissioner Young will transmit his report to the Legislature early next week and will submit but few recommendations as to legislation in view of the very general adjustment of insurance problems at the last session. He will recommend the enactment of a Workmen's Compensation act and authorization of whole family insurance by fraternal orders so that a member of an order can not only get insurance on his own life but also on the lives of his wife and children.

"Town Community Service"

W. C. Crosby, director of the Farmers Union extension work, spent yesterday at Mebane arranging to launch a new movement for this State in the form of a "Town Community Service League" somewhat on the order of the Rural Community Service League, but designed to develop towns with a minimum of forty families and on up to the point where they approach city proportions. The town of Mebane has offered itself to be developed along the lines that this new civic movement outlines, which are community developments adapted to town rather than rural life in all phases. The work in Mebane will be launched at once.

Mr. Crosby goes today to Elizabeth City to spend ten days in something of a spectacular Pasquotank civic developement campaign against preventable poverty, preventable disease, preventable ignorance and the like. Every community will be invaded in this campaign and there will be great week-end rallies in Elizabeth City each Saturday when there will be special addresses by such men as Dr. J. Y. Joyner, Editor Clarence Poe, of the Progressive Farmer, Dr. W. S. Rankin, of the State Department of Health and others.

Sewer Pipe Freight Rates

Chairman E. L. Travis, Secretary A. J. Maxwell and Rate Expert W. G. Womble, of the Corporation Commission, went today to Washington where Mr. Travis will argue before the Interstate Commerce Commission in defense of the North Carolina intrastate freight rate on sewer pipe. This is in the suit that a Chattanooga company is pressing against the Southern Railway and other lines for a re-adjustment of rates and alleging that the lower North Carolina intrastate rates constitute a discrimination against shippers other than those from North Carolina points in comparison with the higher interstate rates that the interstate commission enforces.

Captain W. G. Peace, of the United States Coast Artillery, has arrived here, being detailed by the War Department as the inspector-instructor of Coast Artillery for North Carolina. He succeeds Major A. Gregg, Jr., who has been located here the past four years and has been detailed for similar service in South Carolina, only. Heretofore one inspector-instructor has served both states.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

By Trinity Literary Societies for the Third Quarter

(Special Star Correspondence)

Trinity College, Jan. 12.—The literary societies of the college have recently elected their officers for the third quarter, as follows: Columbian—John Cline, of Lincolnton, president; M. B. Woosley, of Greensboro, vice-president; E. M. Spivey, of Farmville, secretary; B. O. Merritt, of Clinton, marshall; A. W. Oakes, of Hookerton, censor; and R. E. Parker, of Lasker, chairman of the executive committee. Hesperian—R. H. Shelton, of Durham, president; C. S. Bunn, of Bailey, vice-president; R. L. Fisher, of Gatesville, secretary; E. W. McCullers, of Clayton, marshall; David Brady, of Durham, critic; and R. C. Wiggins, of Denmark, S. C., chairman of the executive committee. The Athena Literary Society, membership in which is open to the young women students of the college, elected officers as follows: Miss Etoile Young of East Durham, president, Miss Lucille Womble, of Goldston, vice-president; Miss Kate Goodman Umstead, of Durham, secretary; Miss Mary Wilson, of Okayama, Japan, treasurer; Miss Nancy Maxwell, of Hazelwood, marshall; Miss Mary Bynum, of West Durham, critic; Miss Janie Chandler, of Durham, censor, and Miss Madge Nichols, of Durham, chaplain. It was the Athena society, organized in 1912, which was largely instrumental in the organization of the alumnae of the college, and its record is one of distinct achievement in literary work.

Trinity Students in Contest

Trinity College, N. C., Jan. 12.—More than a dozen members of the junior class have entered the annual Junior Oratorical Contest, the preliminary of which is announced for the night of January 17. The purpose of this contest is to give training in preparation for the annual Wiley Gray contest which is held at commencement.

SIXTH DISTRICT ODD FELLOWS HOLD MEETING AT MT. OLIVE

Citizens Interested in Bill for Establishing Recorder's Court.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Mount Olive, N. C., Jan. 12.—The first quarterly meeting of the Sixth district, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, for the year 1917, was held here with Mt. Olive Lodge No. 104, Wednesday afternoon. The address of welcome to the visiting Odd Fellows was delivered by Timothy Eldridge, of the local lodge, and the response was by Calvin Woodard, of Wilson.

A business session, lasting from 4 until 7:30 o'clock, was held, following which the local lodge gave an oyster supper and smoker.

The Sixth district is composed of 12 lodges in Edgecombe, Nash, Wilson and Wayne counties, with a total membership of approximately 900. Reports from these 12 lodges, submitted to the quarterly meeting here, were very gratifying to the fraternity, as they showed that the various lodges were in a prosperous condition.

Tarboro was selected as the place for the next meeting, which convenes the second Wednesday in April.

Quite a bit of local interest attaches to the fact that Dr. M. McI. Tatum, of Mount Olive, one of Wayne's representatives in the lower branch of the Legislature, has introduced a bill providing for a recorder's court for Mount Olive.

A goodly portion of the litigation, both civil and criminal, in the county and Superior courts of Wayne, goes from this community and, for the convenience of the litigants and witnesses, it is believed that it will be much better for these matters to be disposed of by a court here, instead of taking them to Goldsboro, generally at great inconvenience and sometimes at great expense to all persons required to attend.

LIBEL SUIT ON TRIAL IN DUPLIN SUPERIOR COURT

Kinston Free Press Defendant; DeLeon Smith is Plaintiff.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 12.—The suit brought by DeLeon Smith, through his attorneys, H. L. Stevens and L. A. Beasley, against the Kinston Free Press for the recovery of $3,00 damages for alleged libel, was heard before Judge Connor in court at Kenansville today.

The complaint alleges that: On April 6th, 1914, Laurence Cavenaugh, a young white man, who had resided in the county, was found dead in Panther mill pond in Duplin county.

B. F. Smith, Sr., was at that time coroner, and summoned a jury composed of the plaintiff and five others, who rendered the verdict that Cavenaugh came to his death accidentally by falling into the mill pond.

The plaintiff, DeLeon Smith, claimed that the defendants, The Free Press Company, and D. T. Edwards, editor of the Kinston Free Press, published a false account of the affair, which, he claims, libelled him and injured him before his neighbors, causing him mental anguish to the extent of $3,000.

Extracts from the report, alleged to have been published follow:

"Sensational developments expected to grow out of the finding of a body in a mill pond south of Pink Hill. Prominent men suspected.

"The current talk in the community of the tragedy is subdued. A hundred rumors can be heard there, but the process of the law is bringing out a chain of evidence, which may reveal a plot and crime, the most sensational which the Duplin county court has had to deal with in years. One of the men suspected is a son of the coroner. Another has left the community.

"A rumor here today which could not be confirmed, was that the coroner and entire jury have been arrested."

New Students at Trinity Park.

Trinity College, N. C., Jan. 12.—Headmaster F. S. Aldridge, of the Trinity Park School, announced this morning that 15 new students had enrolled in that institution since the re-opening after the Christmas holidays, making the total enrollment now about 130. Professor Aldridge also announces that the remodeling of Branson Hall, one of the oldest dormitories of the school, was nearing completion and that the building would be ready for occupancy shortly.

Snow at Warsaw.

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 12.—The first snow of this winter fell Thursday afternoon. Owing to the fact that it was preceded by a rain, it melted as it fell to the disappointment of the youngsters, and some of the grown-ups.

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STATE-WIDE MEETING OF EQUAL SUFFRAGISTS IN GREENSBORO

Mrs. Miller, National Figure in Cause, the Speaker.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 12.—Mrs. Walter McNair Miller, of Columbia, Mo., first vice-president of the National American Woman's Suffrage Association, was the speaker at a State-wide meeting of equal suffragists here tonight. The gathering took place in the Municipal Theatre at 8 o'clock, and was presided over by Miss Harriet Elliott of the State Normal College faculty, who introduced the speaker.

Mrs. Miller impressed her audience as a woman of considerable culture and intelligence. Her address was a clean and clear-cut presentation of the arguments for equal suffrage. She has been active in other enterprises than suffrage. She organized work for "Pure Food" in the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and served as the organization's pure food chairman until the passage of the pure food bill in 1908. She has been chairman of the Missouri Public Health Commision, member of the executive board of state conference of charities and of the governor's committee on tuberculosis. She is now chairman of the committee on congressional work for the National Suffrage Association. Many North Carolina towns were represented by delegates of from one to several in number who enjoyed the address of the evening.

Col. Cody Left $65,000 Estate

Denver, Colo., Jan. 12.—The estate of Col. William E. Cody, who died here Wednesday, was estimated today by Judge W. L. Wall, for years Colonel Cody's attorney, at not to exceed $65,000. It consists in the main of three ranches near Cody, Wyo., and an equity in a hotel in that town.

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Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 12—A Greensboro Rotary Club has been organized with 15 charter members. The officers are Paul W. Schenck, president; H. Smith Richardson, vice-president; Max T. Payne, secretary; J. C. Hedgepeth, treasurer. The directors are the president and secretary, H. R. Bush, E. Colwell, R. B. Scott, L. J. Duffy and Earle Godbey.

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Dated this 5th day of January, 1917.

C. B. PARMELE,
Administrator C. T. A. of Sarah A. Parmele.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

If is the highest part of the highest creed to forgive before memory sleeps. —DICKENS.

All you can do is to make a wry face and wipe off your chin. That's all.

There are lots of things that communities can do but they do not get busy and do them.

If the South feels anything nagging at it here of late, it is only the New York Sun. The South should worry.

If you tell a fellow your troubles, he will be in a hurry to leave. If he doesn't do that, he will camp right with you and make you listen to his.

Regulate your gait. You are going a gait that will either get somebody's goat and may get yours as well. In fact, if you get somebody's goat, more people than one will be after yours.

In round numbers, the Census Bureau gives Chicago a population of 2,500,000. It means something that the South is getting in closer touch by rail with the second largest city in America and in many respects the most marvelous on the earth.

The suffragists are now picketing the White House so as to compel President Wilson to recognize their cause. In doing so if they are making as bad an impression on the President as they do on the public, they are doing harm instead of good to the equal suffrage cause.

Somebody in a party said something that started a conversation and the subject of "stumbling blocks" was brought up. "I know a man," remarked a lady, "who is a stumbling block to his whole family." Two ladies took offense and immediately left the party, because they did not propose to sit there and put up with such insinuations about their "old man."

Some people are foolish enough to dispute concerning taste. What one likes another dislikes—politically, socially and gastronomically. One man may be crazy about Boston baked beans while another thinks feed like that is "powerful good for pigs." "Everybody to their taste," as the old woman said when she kissed the old cow.

Governor Bickett's inaugural address had something in it. He touched vigorously and directly upon certain vital matters of reform and progress, and his suggestions offer a clear line for the Legislature in its discretion. The new governor has outlined a comprehensive course of action that will be to the advantage of the people of the State. His idea for protecting the public from imposition is one that ought to meet with general favor.

As to certain fees collected by former secretaries of state and retained by them as the emoluments of office, the attorney general of Maryland has ruled that they belong to the state and must be turned into the state treasury. The secretaries contend otherwise and the state may have to bring suit. Maryland seems to be as far behind on the fee system as most counties in North Carolina up to a few years ago. Probably some of them hang on to it yet.

The slogan of a certain town is "This is a Good Town." Sure enough it is, but its people went to work and made it a better town. As soon as it got to be a better town, it attracted attention and soon got to be a city. A few years ago it was a village of 525 people, but a half dozen men in the lot decided to do things. They then did things. They were North Carolinians but they had gone to another state to do things. They should have stayed here, because they left better opportunities behind them. Now is the time for North Carolinians to stay at home, for there are all sorts of opportunities for doing things in the best state in the South Atlantic group.

A NEW MARKET [illegible] MING

Wilmington has [illegible] her demand for dairy [illegible] and is now offering the farmers of Eastern North Carolina a new opportunity for farm income throughout the whole year. The agricultural and immigration department of the Atlantic Coast Line considers it a matter of such great import that it has sent out a special circular over a radius of 300 miles notifying all railroad company's agents and certain chambers of commerce that the A. G. Warren Ice Cream Company will have a modern creamery in operation in Wilmington after February 1. The necessary machinery and equipment has been installed for the manufacture of butter and other dairy products, and the Coast Line department thereupon announces that there is now in Wilmington a "splendid market for farm dairy shipments from the counties of North and South Carolina within shipping distance of Wilmington."

The circular also mentions the Darlington and Orangeburg creameries and directs the attention of all railroad agents to Atlantic Coast Line local and inter-division Milk Tariff No. 1, issued December 10, 1914, including rates, rules and regulations governing the transportation of cream, milk and buttermilk in cans or crates, to be transported in baggage cars between points on the Atlantic Coast Line. The tariff so announced was published to encourage development of the dairy industry and agents are instructed to bring the rates and this service to the attention of producers

Mr. G. A. Cardwell, head of the Coast Line agricultural and immigration department, recognizes the great possibilities in farm dairies and the livestock industry and will pay special attention to the transportation factors in their development.

The Chamber of Commerce is also alive to the importance of this development and we are not giving away a secret when we say that a movement is on foot to emphasize it in a way that will soon create interest in Wilmington throughout America.

WASTE IN MANUFACTURING

A certain manufacturing town in the North made a study of its industrial efficiency recently and the result has been the discovery of a big leak. In other words, an industrial survey was held in order to ascertain whether everything was going well with the city's industrial establishments. Experts went over all plants, big and little, and discovered the fact that they were suffering astonishing losses in the matter of power alone.

Some had power plants too large for their industries and were paying the expense of sufficient power to run from two to four such industries. Others had plants inadequate for the service, while many small industries were totally without the economic power to fit in with the amount of machinery that they operated.

Little factories were advised to cut out their expensive plants and to use electric power instead, while others were advised to co-operate in power plants that are large enough for two or more industries. Some of the little factories were advised to concentrate in a given locality where they could be served with power to better advantage. It was also urged that small factories should get close together so that cartage and transportation could be saved.

There were reports on all sorts of leaks in the business of manufacturing, and altogether it is said the manufacturers will save thousands of dollars by following the suggestions which came out as a result of the survey. It is said that the new order will revolutionize things, for the manufacturers were quick to observe the inefficiencies that were made so plain to them by the experts. Hereafter some of the factories will get together under the same roof and use a power plant that used to serve but one.

Opportunities for other lines of industry also were discovered, and there is also to be a study of the raw material supply and the distribution economies, so that a further saving may be made by co-operating when it is possible.

CHICAGO GOT EXCITED

The gamblers in the grain pit at Chicago must have gotten a tip on Thursday that is of rather an exclusive nature, since the press dispatches did not indicate the thing at which the grain pit took fright. The speculators claim to have heard about certain prospective hostilities on the Atlantic ocean, and immediately they took to cover. The price of wheat tumbled, but May options still remained as high as $1.83 1-2 per bushel.

In Baltimore a few days ago, spot wheat crossed the $2 mark, going to $2.03 a bushel for No. 2 red wheat. The Sun explains it in this straight forward but interesting manner:

"The sharp advance was unattended by any excitement in this market, because most of the dealers had been looking for a further advance owing to the active demand which has prevailed here for the last several days.

"Those who have wheat in the elevators showed no inclination to part with their holdings and the high bids failed to tempt them. The continued embargoes against grain from the West are a check to new receipts. This practically limits the offerings to stock already in the elevators. The exporters were said to be somewhat urgent in their demands and it was from this element that the high bids came.

"It has been many years since wheat has gone above $2 a bushel in this market. Many say it has not reached this figure since Civil War times and shortly after the close of that struggle.

"However, the situation in grain is such that even the most astute among the traders will scarcely venture an opinion of the future. If the demands from Europe continue as urgent as they have been in the recent past, with the available supply here being rapidly diminished, the price may reach a much higher level before the next crop is harvested and ready for market.

"It is said that many farmers still have wheat unsold in their barns, while a few in Baltimore county and some of the adjoining counties have not yet thrashed their last crops. These are very fortunate, for if they can get the wheat to market they will not only get the top price of this year, but a higher one than has been realized here within the memory of most of them.

"Leading local flour millers stated yesterday that they have not raised the price of flour, in spite of the strength and advance in wheat."

Wheat sells in Baltimore at the Chicago prices plus the freight charge from the elevator distributing points to the port. Baltimore is one of this country's largest wheat exporting points, and the continued high prices of wheat despite the prospective crop that will be ready for market within six months, warn us that the staff of life will continue to be high.

Southern farmers ought to be able to know what to do, with such an outlook as that ahead of us, but we don't know that many of them will give two minutes thought to a situation that evidently will continue to be specially serious in the non-food producing South.

THE BOTTOM FACTS

When there are two sides to a question, they ought to be discussed so people may know which is the right and the wrong side of it. It is often the case that when a man is on the wrong side he is so cock-lofty and cock-sure about it that his mere bumptiousness fools a lot of people into believing that he is right. The allegation may be punk or the denial may be a mere tissue of absurdities, so when we are "from Missouri" it is better we show each other how much we know and don't know concerning what we talk about. Our main object ought to be to learn something in addition to what we know or simply think we know. It never hurts any of us to find out when we are wrong, because when we get right and then go ahead, people give us credit for being wise. When we are perverse and refuse to budge an inch, people will say we are liable to set an ostrich on a nest full of door knobs.

CURRENT COMMENT.

According to Dr. Hurty, the people of Indiana are living 9.4 years longer now than they were 15 years ago. Therefore, they are eating more—9.4 years more. Hence, the increased cost of living. Perfectly simple!—Indianapolis News.

All the towns between Charlotte and Wilmington are beginning to make loud protests against the taking off of the Sunday mails. It is a condition that has not existed since the railroad was built, and would not have been countenanced at a time when the country was but half-developed. It is a wonder how the business interests can stand this sort of "economy"—Charlotte Observer.

The Wilmington Star grinds out a twinkle in this wise: "If Greensboro gets that $350,000 hotel, it will be the biggest piece of publicity that the Gate City could get at this time. In supplying a present and future need, Greensboro surely will get on the map. If she does not have a hotel that comports with the present greatness and the splendid possibilities of that city, it won't be the fault of the Daily News people. If Greensboro can furnish two such excellent newspapers as the News and the Record, a $500,000 hotel would look more like her size." The first hotel, the one the News got is to cost but $320,000 and the other one that follows as a sequence will cost about $400,000—making in fact a seven hundred thousand dollar hotel. The old town deserves more than she gets—but coming quickly now is the new court house and a fourteen story skyscraper. Sure we do move!—Greensboro Record.

County farms, to be established as penal institutions to which minor male and female offenders may be sentenced in lieu to service upon the roads, is the object of a bill to be introduced this week in the General Assembly. D. E. Henderson, county attorney of Craven, is father of the idea. On its surface this bill may not seem to the casual observer that it is of any very great importance. Really, however, it is one which, if passed, appears to have in it a method to solve a problem which has given much trouble to courts for years. Under present conditions it is practically impossible to get a judge to punish seriously women convicted of vagrancy for the reason that there is no suitable place for their confinement. In consequence the red light districts of many Carolina towns have grown to such proportions that they offer a serious danger to the moral welfare of the several towns of which they form a part. In one East Carolina town alone there are said to be no less than a score of houses of ill-fame. In these houses half a hundred women. In these houses whiskey and beer are said to be sold in great quantities to those who want to buy—minor or adult. In this particular town local officials say they are powerless to act because whenever they bring the residents of this district to court, judges let the offenders off with light fines. Other towns suffer proportionately. With the county farm idea in operation a place for red light delinquent inhabitants would be provided. The proposition for such a law should be given serious consideration.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Duplin Citizens to Meet

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 12.—There will be a meeting in Kenansville next Monday, of all those opposed to paying heavy tax for building of a fence around the county and stock law districts, to discuss means for relief in this matter. As a large majority of the property owners of the county are opposed to the building of the fence, it is expected that a large crowd will be present, for whose convenience, The Atlantic & Carolina railroad will run a special train.

DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Met at noon.

Resumed consideration of Walsh Water Power bill.

Interstate Commerce committee began consideration railroad legislation.

Adjourned 6:05 p. m. to noon Saturday.

House.

Met at 11 a. m.

Democratic majority of rules committee submitted report that no evidence had been found in its investigation that there was a leak into Wall Street on President Wilson's peace note.

Re-committed the leak inquiry case to the Rules committee, with instructions to report back within five days.

Considered conference report on Immigration bill, already adopted by the Senate.

Immigration bills sent back to conference with instruction to change its effective date from July 1 to May 1.

Adjourned at 6:09 p. m. to 11 a. m. Saturday.

1916 WAS BABY YEAR.

More Than Two Thousand Communities Observed Baby Week.

1916 was Baby Year. That was settled once for all by the two thousand and more communities scattered over every State in the union which observed the first nation-wide Baby Week. Forty-seven of the 50 cities with more than 100,000 population, and villages and rural communities with less than 2,500 population, had Baby Weeks.

The 1917 Baby Week bids fair to be an even bigger, more worthwhile celewill keep the distincitnon shrdlutaal bration than last year's, but 1916 will keep the distinction of being the year when each community's provision for the welfare of its Babies was generally recognized as a serious civic responsibility.

The Children's Bureau at Washington has already received numerous inquiries concerning the 1917 Baby Week, and the Bureau is making the following suggestions:

Have your Baby Week from the 1st to the 6th of May if possible. This date has been agreed upon by the Bureau and the General Federation of Women's Clubs as the time best adapted to the varying conditions of different States.

Remember the older babies. As one woman stated it:

It requires only 12 months for a baby to become 1 year old and no longer subject to the hazards of "infant mortality," but there are still many risks for him to encounter: he is still absolutely helpless, although increasingly charming, and his parents are as eager to keep him well and happy, as desirous of sound advice, as they were last year. Open out the 1917 Baby Week to include all children still at home with their mothers.

Remember the mothers. Well-cared for, healthy mothers are necessary for the health and happiness of their babies. Find out what your community is doing to ensure to every mother skilled advice and adequate care before her baby is born and during her confinement, and give the importance of protecting the mother a prominent place in the educational work of the campaign.

And one word to communities where infantile paralysis has been epidemic: Mothers should be urged to leave the baby at home during Baby Week. Any feature of the campaign involving the bringing together of numbers of babies must of course be aomitted, but such features are not essential to the interest and success of a campaign. And Baby Week will afford an excellent opportunity for giving information as to the proper physical training of children with paralyzed muscles.

The Children's Bureau has a bulletin of suggestions for Baby Week campaigns which may be had upon request, and it is now preparing a revised edition describing the interesting new features reported from the 1916 campaigns.

THE PONTARLIER SPY STRAINER.

A Border Spot Where Grim Guards Have Niches in Their Guns

(William Gunn Shepherd, in Collier's.)

The tightest spy strainer in all Europe is at Pontarlier, on the French border of Switzerland. They can sicken your soul, those dozen Frenchmen at Pontarlier. They've got niches in their guns. They have caught spies, who have been shot, and they are trying to catch more.

"It's a matter of life and death here" explained, in a half-hearted apology, a whiskered French officer who had once lived in Cleveland, Ohio. "We are constantly sending our spies into Germany by this route, and the Germans are always trying to get their spies into France through this station. We out for blood here". But he didn't render this explanation until I had been put through a 24-hour grilling.

"I wonder if the pretty little American women with the red silk knitted sweater is still worrying her heart out in the Hotel des Potes at Pontarlier where the French had held her three weeks on suspicion. I wonder what her name was. I wonder if she is still alive. She, in her red sweater, is one of the war pictures burned most deeply into my hind. * * * There were deep black rings under her eyes. The matron of the little hotel told me she had not eaten for 10 days. "I don't want them to think that I know you. How do I know you're not a spy?"

"But your name? I'll tell the American consul at Paris that you are held here. I'm a newspaper man from New York."

"How do I know that? I don't want to be seen talking to you. This hotel is full of spies."

She returned to her room and I never saw her again. There were 15 persons being held in that little hotel, men and women of misty nationality who had tried to come into France from Switzerland and who had been caught as uspects in the Pontarlier spy strainer. They were afraid to talk to me; they were afraid to talk to each other; they suspected each other as much as the spy catchers did. As I look back now at those three Sunday meals in the dining room of the Hotel des Postes and see these silent, mysterious, worried men and women file into the room, one at a time, silitary, suspected and eaten with suspicion, it seems to me that they were the most miserable and unhappy lot of human beings that I have seen in all the war.

Purchases Linotype Machine

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 12.—Mr. R. S. Raylor, editor of the Duplin Record, has purchased a $3,000 linotype machine, which greatly facilitates the mechanical work of getting out the paper.

OUTLOOK BETTER FOR HORSES

Figures as to Thoroughbreds Prove Interesting).

(Washington Post).

Figures in connection with the thoroughbred industry of the United States, as revealed by the Jockey Clubs' records for the last five years, or during the period when racing was under restrictions, which hampered it almost to the point of extinction, are interesting. The official records show that 1,553 certificates were issued for males and females of various ages during that time by W. H. Rowe, registrar of the Jockey Club.

"These certificates do not by any means furnish an accurate estimate of the number of thoroughbreds we lost," said Mr. Rowe, at the Shoreham. "Many consignments to England, Germany, Austria, the Argentine and other South American points were sent without any other papers than the foal certificates, and we are now getting communications from these counties, where some of the mares have produced good foals, asking for a confirmation of their breeding. I would say that quite as many animals went out of the country without certificates of expertation as were sent with these certificates, so that 3,000 would not be too high a figure to place on the total shipment of thoroughbreds from this country from 1910 to 1915, inclusive.

"Our records, however, show that the tide has turned our way strong, the importations during 1914 from abroad totaling 190 head, while the current year to date is responsible for 406, with 70 more on the Atlantic headed this way. A number of the horses and mares that went abroad represented the best blood lines in our studbook, and many of them we could ill afford to lose, but we are getting in exchange representatives of families that have been very successful abroad, and they should leave their impression upon the thoroughbred future of the United States."

Mr. Marshall Edwards Dead.

Wadesboro, N. C., Jan. 12.—Mr. Marshall Edwards died at his home in Polkton this morning, following an attack of measles. Mr. Edwards was a hard working man and a good citizen. He is survived by a wife and seven children, six of whom are now sick with measles.

British Ship Bileved Sunk.

London, Jan. 12.—Lloyd's announces that the British steamer Excellent, 1,944 tons, is believed to have been sunk.

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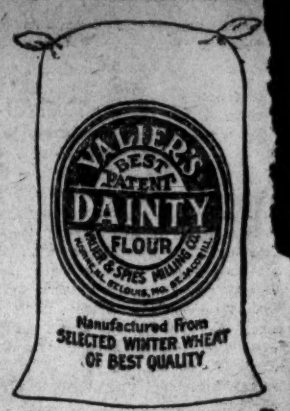

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SSED ONLY TWO READINGS

l to Increase Number of Members of Board of Education Was Tabled on Grant's Motion.

The bill introduced by Representative L. Clayton Grant to increase the mber of members of the Board of ducation of New Hanover county was, upon motion of the New Hanover representative, tabled in the House after it had passed two readings and was sent to the Senate through an error made by the House clerk, according to Mr. S. A. Matthews, who was present in the House at the time the motion was made.

Mr. Matthews returned to Wilmington Thursday night after having been in Raleigh since Monday. He had ample opportunity to observe the proceedings of the House and states that Mr. Grant is making a most excellent member and has carried out every promise he has made to the people of this city and county. He stated that Mr. Grant has made a most favorable impression upon his colleagues in the House.

Representative Grant introduced the bill last week before the mass meeting was held on last Saturday night. After the meeting went on record as being opposed to an increase in the number of members of the Board of Education, Mr. Grant promised that he would have the bill withdrawn. This he did and he was not responsible for the error made by the clerk.

After the motion had passed the House on Tuesday night to table the bill, Mr. Matthews learned that it had been sent to the Senate for passage. Mr. Matthews stated last night that as soon as Mr. Grant learned this, he had the bill recalled and moved that the error of the clerk be corrected. This the House voted to do and the erroneous record of passage was corrected.

What Mr. Matthews says about the way the mistake was made is borne out in a letter which Mr. Grant has written to The Star. He calls attention to the statement in this paper from its correspondent to the effect that the record of the House showed the bill as passing and "gives due credit to Senator Cranmer for stopping the measure in Senate."

The Star is very glad to set the record straight in this matter and regrets that any misunderstanding arose. All the circumstances indicated that Representative Grant acted in thorough good faith in the matter and he certainly was not responsible for an error made by the clerk. It was unfortunate that the mistake should have been made.

"The truth is the record of the House shows that the bill never passed but two readings," Mr. Grant states in a communication to The Star, "before it was ordered tabled in the House on my motion and nothing did or could have been done in the Senate to prevent bill from becoming law. The bill never passed three readings in the House before it was ordered tabled and even if Senator Cranmer had allowed it to pass its several readings in the Senate, the bill then could not have become law without considerable attention in the House."

When Representative Grant learned that the bill had been sent to the Senate through a mistake of the clerk, he immediately moved that the bill be recalled from the Senate and tabled in accordance with motion previously made and carried. The bill was then brought back to the House and the mistake corrected.

Representative Grant states that he does not want to detract from the credit due Senator Cranmer in the slightest but he does feel that he should be given credit for carrying out his promise to the people of New Hanover.

In accordance with the request of the Board of County Commissioners asking for authority to issue $17,000 in bonds to cover indebtedness created by workhouse construction, which was endorsed by the mass meeting Saturday night, Representative Grant yesterday introduced a bill to this effect, according to The Star's Raleigh correspondent.

FEDERAL EMPLOYES URGE CONGRESS TO PASS BILL

Wilmington Men Disappointed Over Action of Democratic Caucus.

Federal employes in Wilmington have expresed themselves as being very much disappointed over the action of the Democratic caucus in the Senate at Washington in agreeing to defeat the five to ten per cent. increase in salaries which was passed by the House a few days ago.

Representatives of the various organizations of the country, headed by President H. M. McLarin, of the National Federal Employes' Union, of Washington, D. C., have been before the committees in the Senate to urge the passage of the bill. The Washington newspapers have been advocating the passage of the bill and one or two Eastern North Carolina papers have been advocating it.

Several days ago, petitions signed by the majority of the local postal and engineer department employes were forwarded to Washington by the president of the Postal Employes Association, Mr. A. A. Hergenrother, and by the president of the Federal Employes Union, of Eastern North Carolina, Mr. H. H. Ford, of Wilmington. The bill has already passed the House, and the local presidents received telegraphic advices yesterday that the Senate Democratic caucus had agreed to defeat it. They were making efforts last night to get another hearing before the committee in Washington, and wired for permision, but nothing further has been heard.

There have been a number of wage scale increases in the railway and corporation pay rolls, in business houses, and other lines, but the schedule of the civil service has remained about the same for the past two decades.

The local bodies have had co-operation from several prominent men, and there is little doubt but that all of the employes of the country will get some slight increase, although there may be a delay in it. There are four or five hundred employes of all kinds in the territory in Eastern North Carolina, and they are much interested in the progress of the legislation.

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OPEN ADDITION TOMORROW

Sunday School Annex of Grace Methodist Church One of Handsomest in North Carolina.

The new Sunday school annex of Grace Methodist church, erected at a cost of $20,000, will be formally opened at the session of the Sunday school tomorrow morning at 9:45 o'clock. There will be special music and several addresses, while at the 11 o'clock service the pastor, Rev. M. T. Plyler, will preach a sermon in keeping with the occasion. All members of the church and Sunday school together with their friends and any others interested are urged to attend both services.

The opening of the annex marks a fitting beginning for larger things in this church during the present year. It is practically completed and is declared by experts to be one of the handsomest and best equipped in North Carolina. It will provide ample room for the Sunday school for many years to come and is built in accordance with the most modern ideas of Sunday school work.

The addition is two stories in height and has seven class rooms on each floor in addition to the large auditorium and balcony, which will seat 700 people, and the Men's Bible class room, with a seating capacity of 200. The men's class room is provided with folding doors so that it may be made a part of the auditorium.

The church and Sunday school annex is equipped with a steam heating system while all modern conveniences have been provided. There is a well equipped kitchen for preparing meals for social meetings. Besides the Sunday school annex and church auditorium there is also a room for the meetings of the official board.

Work on the addition to the church was started about a year ago. The plans were made by Mr. B. H. Stephens, the architect, while the contract was awarded to Rhodes & Underwood, of this city.

The committee in charge of the building is composed of Mr. R. C. Merritt, chairman, and Messrs. J. E. Willoughby, J. T. King, T. A. Green and W. E. Pardew.

The finance committee is composed of Mr. J. F. Post, chairman, and Messrs. W. B. Cooper, Roger Moore, W. E. Springer and D. C. Love.

MR. WEBBER IS PRESENTED WITH HANDSOME GIFT BY ELKS

Popular Manager Pleasantly Remembered at Roll Call Meeting

Mr. H. A. Webber, who has been the popular and genial manager of the Elks' Club in Wilmington for a number of years, was presented with a handsomely engraved silver handle umbrella as a token of their appreciation for his services by the members at the annual roll call meeting Thursday evening.

The presentation was made by Exalted Ruler A. J. Mitchell at the close of the exercises. Mr. Mitchell spoke of the high regard in which Mr. Webber is held by the club and assured him that it was genuine pleasure that he presented the gift which he hoped would serve as a reminder of the good wishes of all the members. Mr. Webber responded in a brief speech in which he expressed his sincere appreciation for the gift.

Exalted Ruler Mitchell presided at the meeting Thursday night, which was largely attended. Secretary James Owen Reilly called the roll of members after which a class of members was inducted into the secrets of the order. The meeting closed with a very enjoyable buffet luncheon.

—A Sunday school was organized at the Topsail Presbyterian church on Topsail Sound last Sunday, with Mr. Louis J. Howard as superintendent and Mr. A. Garrison as secretary and treasurer. Beginning tomorrow services will be held every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

DEATH OF RETIRED ACTOR

Mr. James Brown, Native of Wilmington, Passed Away at Southport. On Stage for Many Years.

Mr. James Brown, son of the late Frank and Carolina Brown, of Wilmington, who was on the stage for 30 years or more, passed away yesterday at Southport after a lingering illness extending over a period of more than three years. Mr. Brown was born and reared in Wilmington and was well known to all the older citizens, all of whom will learn with deep sorrow of his passing. He was about 70 years old.

In accordance with his last request that he should be laid to rest in the cemetery at Southport, where many of his relatives are buried, the interment will take place there today. Funeral services will be held today at noon and will be conducted by Rev. George F. Hill, assistant rector of St. James' Episcopal church in Wilmington.

Mr. Brown's father was for many years a prominent citizen of Wilmington. In early manhood the deceased became widely known locally on account of his splendid voice. He and his sisters were members of the choir of St. John's Episcopal church, this city, and the reputation of the church singing under their leadership was State-wide.

He left Wilmington about 35 years ago to go on the stage. For many years he was prominently identified with minstrel shows and traveled all over the country. He also made a trip to South America. He possessed a wonderful falsetto voice, which enabled him to impersonate woman characters with great success.

About three years ago his health became so impaired that he could no longer follow his chosen occupation and he decided to return to Wilmington to spend his last days. After such a long absence he found practically all his boyhood friends had passed away and that the city was entirely changed, so that he decided to go to Southport. It became necessary for him to have one of his legs amputated about two years ago.

While his health was broken and conditions were changed, all of his near relatives having died, the deceased viewed the situation philosophically and remained to the last cheerful and content. He was a man of genial personality with a gift for friendship and many will mourn his passing.

DIDN'T LIST THEIR TAXES

One Hundred and Fifty Cases on Docket for Trial in Superior Court Here Next Week.

For failure to list their taxes last year as required by law, 150 men in New Hanover county are scheduled for trial in Superior Court here next week. Indictments against them were returned by the last grand jury and capiases have been issued by Maj. W. N. Harriss, clerk of the Superior Court, which are returnable Monday.

Judge W. M. Bond, of Edenton, will preside at this term of court, which will mark his first appearance in Wilmington in a judiciary capacity. Judge Bond is considered one of the ablest judges in the State. Solicitor Homer Lyon will be on hand to prosecute for the State.

Solomon Smith, colored, who is now confined in the county jail without bond, is to be tried at this term on a charge of first degree burglary. Probable cause was found against the negro by Recorder Harriss after a trial on December 27th. It is alleged that the negro entered the store of Mr. M. B. Rivenbark at Third and Brunswick streets, the second floor of which is used as a residence. It is alleged that Smith entered the store on the night of December 23rd while members of the family were asleep and carried away a lot of knives, several old coins and a coat.

Other cases on the docket for trial are as follows: Dan Callihan, charged with embezzlement; Jim Lewis, charged with retailing; James Gause, alias Son Darling, larceny from the person; Sandy Allen, charged with maiming; Robert Conyers, charged with assault on a female; William and Allison Russell, charged with storebreaking; Budd Munn, Sim Branch and Eddie Smith, charged with housebreaking; Charles Nixon, charged with false pretense, and A. Fred Devere, charged with embezzlement.

FIRST BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL TO HAVE BOY SCOUT TROOP

Mr. D. H. Wilcox Will be Scoutmaster of the New Unit.

A Boy Scout troop, to be composed entirely of boys who are members of some class of the First Baptist Sunday school, will be organized at the Y. M. C. A. building Friday night of next week. Mr. D. H. Wilcox, assistant to Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt, pastor of the church, will be scoutmaster.

No one will be admitted to membership who is not a member of some class at the Sunday school, or who does not join immediately. Supt. D. H. Howes, Jr., of the school, states that the promoters of the troops are hopeful that enough youngsters will gather at the "Y" building Friday night to warrant the election of officers along with the other plans of organization.

The organization will be perfected by Mr. Wilcox, assisted by Scout Commissioner Odis B. Hinnant. This will make the 11th scout troops in the city, and shows the wonderful hold that this juvenile organization has on the youth of te country.

MACHINISTS OFFICIALS HERE

Conferred With General Manager Albright of A. C. L. Yesterday.

Messrs. J. F. McCreery, G. D. Rosser, O. E. Hoard, O. W. Wharton and Thomas Nolan, representing the machinists brotherhood, are in the city for the purpose of conferring with General Manager P. R. Albright, of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.

The conference is being held for the purpose of arranging working scales for the year. Neither Mr. Albright nor the representatives of the shop men would give out any statements yesterday but it is understood that the conference is only for the consideration of general routine matters and that there are no serious differences to be settled.

DR. PENDLETON TO SPEAK

Clinical Pathologist at Central Hospital at Raleigh To Make Address Here Tomorrow

Dr. A. S. Pendleton, Clinical pathologist for the State hospital at Raleigh, will speak at the Victoria theatre Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock under the auspices of the Religious Work committee of the Young Men's Christian Association. Dr. Pendleton will take as his subject, "How To Keep Your Mind Healthy."

Dr. Pendleton is sent out by the State Central Hospital located at Raleigh to every county in the territory covered by the institution at Raleigh to give practical talks on the prevention of mental disease. It is believed by alienists that a large proportion of insanity can be prevented, and the address Sunday afternoon should be of vital interest to every citizen of the city. The public is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Dr. Pendleton is regarded as one of the strongest men in his profession in the South. He is a man of charming personality, a forceful speaker, of fine professional ability and his address in Wilmington will be well worth hearing. What he has to say is of vital importance to both men and women and it is hoped that as many as possible will make it a point to hear him.

His work has been endorsed by the State Federation of Women's Clubs and by the leading colleges. He is now making a tour of the State. He will speak at Burgaw today and will go to Southport Monday. He will arrive in Wilmington tonight, coming from Burgaw in an automobile, and while in the city will be the guest of Mr. A. B. Croom, Jr., one of the members of the Board of Directors of the Central Hospital at Raleigh.

Dr. Pendleton will make a short address at the First Baptist Sunday school tomorrow morning at 10:30 and will speak at Calvary church at 11 o'clock.

May Meet Next Week.

It is generally understood that the adjourned meeting of the Board of Health will reconvene during the early part of the coming week for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. The meeting recessed during the early part of the week, subject to the call of the chairman.

TWELVE BIG BOYS' MEETINGS

Col. Walker Taylor Will Deliver First Of Series of Addresses to Boys At Y. M. C. A. Tomorrow

Twelve big boys' meetings, one for each Sunday afternoon during the next three months, have been arranged by the Boys' League of the Young Men's Christian Association. The first of the series will be held tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock when Col. Walker Taylor will speak. He will have for his subject "The World's Greatest Living Ruler." All the boys in the city over 12 years old are cordially invited to attend.

The programme of addresses during the three months as announced yesterday by Mr. C. Walton Johnson, boys' work secretary, is as follows:

"Men of Power"—Jan. 13,—Col Walker Taylor "The World's Greatest Living Ruler;" Jan. 21, Mr. Roger Moore, "The Next Billionaire;" Jan. 28, Mr. J. B. Huntington, "The Greatest Man Living."

Vocattional —Feb. 4, "How To Choose a Life Work;" Feb. 11, Mr. W. H. Sprunt, "Business as a Life Work." Feb. 18, Hon. George Rountree, "The Professions."

Informational—Feb. 25, Mr. L. D. Latta, "The Other Fellow;" March 4, Dr. E. S. Bullock, "The Boy and Science;" March 11, Dr. A. D. McClure, "The Bible and the Spade."

Evangelistic—March 18, Mr. E. B. Johnson, "Why;" March 25, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, "How;" April 1, Mr. O. B. Hinnant, "When."

CAPE FEAR COUNCIL WANTS ANOTHER PASSENGER TRAIN

Members of U. C. T. Will Meet Tonight to Discuss Improved Service.

Cape Fear Council, No. 374, United Commercial Travelers, will hold a meeting tonight at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing plans for requesting the Atlantic Coast Line to place an additional passenger train on the Wilmington and Weldon road, leaving this city about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. It is proposed to make this train one for local service while the train now leaving at 6:45 would be made into through train leaving the city about 3 o'clock at night.

The traveling men in making the request for an additional train state that it is their purpose to provide means for people living in the outlying villages and towns to come to Wilmington to do their shopping. This would afford shoppers practically the entire day in the city and yet allow them to reach home early in the evening.

Another improvement that the local council of the U. C. T. will ask for is that both the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard improve their rolling stock on trains out of Wilmington. According to the traveling men this is one of the most needed improvements that could be made in local railroad circles at present.

BRANCH BANK OPENED AT THE Y. M. C. A. FOR BOYS

Officers Elected and All Machinery of Bank Perfected for Business

Banking is one of the newest acquisitions to the numerous enterprises conducted by the members of the Boys' Division of the Y. M. C. A. The bank will open for business this afternoon at 2 o'clock and hereafter will observe regular hours every day. It will be open each day from 2 to 9:30 P. M. while on Saturdays it receive deposits from 9:30 a. m. to 10 p. m.

While the bank will be managed exclusively by the boys under the supervision of the boys' work secretary, it will be a branch of the Home Savings Bank, this city. The deposits will be placed in the home bank each week. As soon as an account reaches a total of $1 it will be transferred to the parent bank for the opening of an account there.

Officers and directors for the branch bank have already been elected by the boys and all the machinery perfected for business. Any boy in city whether a member of the Y. M. C. A. or not may make deposits in the bank. It is believed that it will be one of the most helpful features of the work of the Y. M. C. A. among the boys in Wilmington. It is designed to encourage habits of thrift, economy and industry.

MAY ORGANIZE CLUB

Young Men of City Meet Tomorrow to Perfect Plans.

A meeting has been called for 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon to perfect plans looking toward the organization of a Young Men's Club in this city. Invitations have been sent out to about 20 prospective charter members to meet tomorrow afternoon in the director's room of the Home Saving's Bank.

A charter is being prepared and as soon as it is completed will be passed on by the club and application made to the Secretary of State at Raleigh for a charter. After the club is permanently organized, the applications of eligible young men will be voted on by the members.

It is the intention of the club members to occupy the third floor of the Home Savings Bank building. They will have club rooms, reading rooms, recreation rooms etc.

ATTENDING BOYS' MEETING

Wilmington Delegation of High School Boys Go To Norfolk Conference

Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, city boys' work secretary, and four boys from the Wilmington High School are attending a conference for older high school boys in Norfolk, Va. A number of prominent speakers are on the programme for addresses including Arthur Cotton, international secretary for high school boys for the Y. M. C. A. The conference is intended for the high school boys particularly of Eastern Virginia.

The Wilmington boys attending the conference are Douglass Sprunt, Mark Noble, Morgan Fenley and Charles Cavenaugh. They will return to the city Monday.

IN RECORDER'S COURT

Yesterday Was A Dull Time For His Honor Judge Harriss

Recorder George Harriss found a very slim docket facing him yesterday morning when he convened court for its daily session. Lee Mack, a darkey arrested for stealing one mule and beating another, was the first offender and both his cases were continued until today. The only other offender was Mr. M. T. Chisholm, who was alleged to have passed a worthless check. This case was dismissed, however, and the plaintiff paid the costs.

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Would you desert your sweetheart in trouble on the high seas?

No. Well that is just what Mr. J. J. Hanson, of Jersey City, did at Southport yesterday. Left her in charge of a group of seamen while he, with his wife and daughter, Miss Grace, and Mrs. W. L. Bernstein, of Norfolk, came to Wilmington and registered at the Orton. Today they will resume their journey to Jacksonville, Fla., by rail leaving the forlorn little sweetheart to continue her travels alone.

Now wait a minute, you scandal mongers, don't say a word, just get the explanation. The "Sweetheart" is a high powered pleasure yacht en route from Jersey City to Jacksonville, and Mr. Hanson and his party left her at Southport because engine troubles developed betwen Beaufort and Southport that boded ill for a pleasure cruise. Therefore, they left her in charge of her crew, and came to Wilmington. From here they will go to Jacksonville by rail.

EXPECTS BIG SEASON

Wrightsville Beach Anticipates Banner Year This Summer

The Oceanic hotel, the popular resort hostelery at Wrightsville Beach, is expecting the biggest season of its history this year, according to a statement made yesterday by Manager Chas. E. Hooper. Mr. Hooper states that there will be a number of improvements made in the hotel before the season opens that will add to its attractiveness and to the comfort of the guests.

Mr. Hooper has been in charge of the Oceanic for the past several seasons, and is considered one of the most efficient hotel men in the South. He will again be at the helm at the opening of the coming season. Now that the Virginia resorts have lost the advantage that they have hitherto held over the local beach, on account of their liquor privileges, it is expected that many new faces will be seen at Wrightsville this season.

The season at the beach will open about June 10.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS TODAY.

Mr. A. D. Dell Arrives to Take Charge of Brother's Remains.

Mr. Anthony D. Dell, of Newark, N. J., a brother of Mr. F. L. Dell, one of the victims of the automobile tragedy at Woolvin's Crossing Tuesday afternoon, arrived in the city yesterday to take charge of his brother's remains. Mr. Dell stated last night that the funeral arrangements had not been definitely settled, but would be arranged today. The body of Mr. L. C. Garrett, the other victim of the tragedy was taken to Richmond, Va., his former home, Wednesday morning, for interment.

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Real Estate Transfers

Among the deeds filed for record in the office of Register of Deeds John Haar yesterday were the following: R. G. Grady and wife to H. F. Wilder, for $10 and other considerations, lot on Queen street, 165 feet east of 12th, 99 x34 feet in size; D. N. Chadwick to American Bank and Trust Company $1,350, lands at Sunset Park.

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CLEAN UP WEEK

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Our Odds and Ends Counter of Dress Goods, Silks and Velvets up to 6 yds. lengths will be sold Less Than Cost.

Marquisette, in short lengths, from 2 to 6 yds., at 10c and 12½c.

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Children's Gingham Dresses, small sizes, at 48c.

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Children's Coats, in small sizes, priced from 95c to $3.98.

Outing Kimonos, special priced from $1.19 to $1.95.

One lot of Women's Shoes, from $2.00 to $3.00 values, sizes 2 to 4, 98c.

Men's All Wool Sweaters, from 98c to $3.50.

Men's $1.00 Dress Shirts, special at 69c.

Sale on Odd Pants continues. All Wool Blue Serge and Gray Pants at $2.69.

All Wool Fancy Striped Worsted Pants, at $2.98.

Worsted Pants, in Gray and all staple colors; special price at $3.49 and $4.29.

BELK-WILLIAMS COMP'Y

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. Albert Simmons is visiting friends and relatives at Montague.

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Mrs. Joseph D. Smith has returned from West Green, Ga., where she has been visiting her son, Mr. Franklin Smith.

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Mount Olive Tribune: "Misses Eunice Tucker and Cololyam Wolf, of Wilmington, spent the holidays here with Misses Jessie and Nellie Flowers."

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Miss Virginia Thomas, of Wilmington, passed through the city yesterday on her way to visit in Winston-Salem."

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Taylor, of Maysville, were Wilmington visitors yesterday. They will be the guests of Mr. C. Taylor, of Faison, for the next fortnight.

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The public is cordiall yinvited to an oyster supper which will be served tonight at the Topsail Presbyterian church for the purpose of raising money to have the church painted.

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Miss Faith Fearrington, of Winston-Salem, who was one of the attendants at the Dew-Roddick wedding at Dillon, S. C., returned home last evening after a short visit to her sister, Mrs. A. B. Croom, Jr., in this city.

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Durham, N. C., Jan. 12.—The Campus Club, an organization of the women of the Trinity College community, gave a tea at the home of President and Mrs. W. P. Few yesterday afternoon in honor of the students of the college, and the occasion proved very enjoyable to the large number of young men and women who attended.

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WILMINGTON MAN CLAIMS BRIDE IN SAVANNAH, GA.

Mr. Clarence Hardy Beery, of this city, and Miss Ella Lucile Coats, of Savannah, Ga., were quietly married in Savannah at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of January 5. The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. Nicholas Righter, of St. Michael's Chapel, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Owens. Only a few intimate friends of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. Miss Elizabeth Owens was maid of honor, while Mr. John Owens, acted as best man. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Beery, Sr., of this city.

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"GARDEN OF CHRISTMAS FAIRY" WAS PRESENTED AT ST. JOHN'S

With a perfect stage setting that would have deceived the good old St. Nicholas himself had he stumbled on it unexpectedly, the children of St. John's Sunday school presented their charming play, "The Garden of the Christmas Fairy", at St. John's Parish House, Third and Red Cross streets, last night.

The children were trained for the occasion under the direction of Mrs. B. W. Dunham and Mrs. J. B. Hatchell, who were in general charge of the play. Mr. Hardy Jacobs was stage manager, and Mr. B. W. Dunham, Jr., was on duty at the door.

The stage, beautifully decorated with evergreens and tinsel, made an appropriate setting for the garden, with Father Time, Father Christmas the Christmas Fairy, and the Aurora Borealis, together with the legion of little fairies and the Christmas messengers from the various nations.

The special numbers of Misses Lilias Quelch, Marguerite Fettel and Martha Hatchell during the intermissions were particularly good and greatly enjoyed by the audience.

If there were any special features they were the "Gift of Nations" and the musical numbers, the latter being repeated after numerous encores. The Christmas Fairy also came in for her share of applause.

The programme and characters were:

Father Time—Douglas Clark.

Father Christmas—Fred Drew

Fairies— Martha Hatchell, Ida Hinnant, Marion Bruff, Marion Myers, Anna R. Pettway, Melly Longfellow.

Christmas Fairy—Dorothea Quelch

Aurora Borealis—Isabel Hinnant

Gifts.—Doll, Mary Otterway; Box Candy, Alice Myers; Drum, June Mallard.

Children.—Lilly Munn, Marion Williams, Dorothy Berry, Marguerite Fettell, Margaret McCarley, Bessie Hinnant.

Starlight.—Stella Frances Bellamy.

Sleighbells—Hull Moore, Jr.

American Children—Margaret Dixon Southern Hatchell.

Gifts of Nations:

Germany—Marie Sanders

Dutch—Isobel Snow

Japan—Mary Munn

England—Nettie Ellis

Italy—Minnie Pindel

Spain—Ella McCarley

Scotland—Bessie Hinnant

India—Dorothy Berry

France—Lilias Quelch.

FUNERAL OF MRS. CUMMING

Remains of Former Wilmington Woman Laid Away at Oakdale

The remains of Mrs. L. L. Cumming, relict of the late Capt. James D. Cumming, Sr., who died at the home of her son, Mr. James D. Cumming, Jr., at Brooklyn, N. Y., early in the week, arrived on the 9:50 train yesterday morning, and were interred in Oakdale cemetery, following a short service by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of First Presbyterian church. The following acted as pallbearers. Messrs. H. C. McQueen, M. S. Willard, W. H. Sprunt, J. Allan Taylor, C. W. Worth, John D. Bellamy, George Rountree, and A. M. Hall.

Channel Being Cleared

Panama, Jan. 12.—The channel of the Panama canal east of the Culebra slide and north of Gold Hill, where earth movements occurred recently, is now 27 feet deep. Seven ships were able to pass through today.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. F. G. Windle, of Lisbon, Me., is spending several weeks in Wilmington. Mr. Windle may decide to locate in this city.

—Mr. M. P. Moller, president of the Moller Organ Co., of Hagerstown, Md., spent several days in the city visiting friends, left for his home last night.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: J. H. Brogden, L. B. Daniel, Roseboro; Frank D. Perry, New Bern; L. J. Sloan, Wallace.

—Quartermaster Sergeant Lewis Tyndal, of Co. G of the Second regiment, North Carolina National Guard, on duty at El Paso, Texas, is at home on a short furlough.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: E. S. Wright, Boardman; E. F. Elwell, Raleigh; W. B. Merrimon, Greensboro; A. O. Clement, Goldsboro; O. L. Clark, Clarkton; A. F. Doane, Beaufort; S. T. Russell, Lumberton.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The boys of the eighth grade at the Y. M. C. A. night school formed a class organization Thursday night. After the election of class officers, the objects of the class were briefly discussed. Edward Snakenburg was chosen chairman of the meeting and the following officers were chosen after several ballots: Carl Williams, president; H. W. Hudson, vice-president; Haywood Porter, secretary and treasurer.

FIGHT FOR "DRY" CAPITAL.

Sheppard Bill for Washington to Be Pressed

(Washington Correspondence Philadelphia Record)

The movement to roist prohibition upon the people of the District of Columbia was renewed in Congress when the Senate took up for a time the Sheppard Prohibition bill. Adjournment of the Senate in deference to Congressman Tribble, of Georgia, who died recently, prevented the measure from becoming unfinished business, but Senator Sheppard announced he would press it at every opportunity, Senator Underwood, of Alabama, announced that he would press an amendment for a referendum on the issue to the people of the District of Columbia. The opinion is widespread that supporters of the measure will succeed in having it made unfinished business next week and that its pasage by the Senate is imminent.

The bill would prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverage in the District of Columbia is without regard to the wishes of the people of the District. The chief obstacle in the way of the passage of the measure lies in the fact that it does not provide any means of ascertaining the attitude of the people to be affected by it. Opposition to the measure will cenare behind a proposal to have the Sheppard bill submitted to a referendum, and it is likely that the referendum proposal will receive support from some men who are not opposed to the principle of prohibition.

It has been asserted that President Wilson will veto the measure if it comes to him without a referendum provision. The President is committed to the idea that liquor legislation should be gauged by the sentiment of the people in the localities to be affected, and it would be entirely consistent with his stated position wee he to exercise the veto to protect the people of the national capital from the operation of a easure which might violate the wishes of a majority.

It is generally believed that the people of the District would reject the Sheppard measure if it were referred to them.

The fight will attract nation-wide attention, as it is the opening gun of the prohibitionist campaign before Congress. The fight against the measure will be le by Senator Underwood, of Alabama, and Senator James, of Kentucky, who is one of the President's greatest friends in the Senate, Senator Underwood, the author of the referendum proposal, will have the support of Senators Hughes, of New Jersey; Williams, of Mississippi, and a sufficient number of members to make the fight close.

ODD COMPENSATION CASES

Two Injuries at Once, And a Shot By Co-Employe.

(Philadelphia Record).

Chairman Harry A. Mackey, of the State Compensation Board, has made a ruling settling the question of compensation for two injuries suffered at the same time, which establishes a precedent. The opinion was rendered in the claim of Thomas McHugh against the Philadelphia Suburban Gas and Electric Company, the claimant having suffered a fracture of bones of his left foot and injury to his left eye by a fall at the plant of the company in Chester. The man has not been able to work because of the injury to his foot.

Mr. Mackey rules that the claimant is entitled to 50 per cent. of wages earned at the time of the accident "as long as the present permanent disability shall exist, the said award not to run longer, however, than 500 weeks." If in the meantime it is held, "the injuries to the claimant shall so yield to medical treatment that his present inability to work shall be reduced to partial disability and he attains a certain earning capacity, then, upon petition to the board, this award will be accordingly modified."

In regard to the claim for the loss of the eye Mr. Mackey makes an award of 50 per cent of wages for 125 weeks, "to cover the permanent loss of the claimant's left eye."

The board in an opinion by Commission James W. Leech, has ordered, a new hearing in the compensation claim of Thomas Shell, Tower City, against the Reading Coal and Iron Company, in which the question of liability for injury on unsafe land of an employer used for a path is raised.

Claim for compensation because he was shot by a fellow-employe during working hours, and on the premises of the employer, has been filed before Referee E. K. Saylor, of the Harrisburg workmen's compensation district, by Driver John Quam, an employe of a firm of coal dealers.

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CALLS GERMAN NOTE A 'DELIRIOUS DOCUMENT'

London Mail Says It Is Mixture Of Whines And Falsehoods

Says Germany "Can Have Peace at Any Moment by Returning to Her Own Country"—Other Newspapers Comment

London, Jan. 13.—The Daily Mail describes "Berlin's delirious document" as a mixture of whines and falsehoods.

"Clearly," it says "Germany would not be talking so much about peace if she did not want it rather badly. It is also clear she wants not only peace but the plunder she has stolen. She can have peace at any moment by returning to her own country and can end the 'starvation campaign' by dropping the stolen goods.

"Let us remind these imperial Uriah Heeps that the Germans reduced the population of Paris by sheer starvation, • • • and we know how Bismarck treated the sufferings of the French women and babies as the subject for savage jest."

The Mail declares that the allusion to Ireland in the note is sheer affrontery and, as regards the reference to the Boer republic, points to the services of Generals Botha and Smuts in Southwest Africa and German East Africa, adding:

"Thus it is that the British empire wins affection even from former antagonists. It is less than 15 years since the Boer war and it is 47 years since Alsace-Lorraine was conquered. The contrast between South Africa and the Reichsland is the reason why Germany can never win this war. Her rule means not mercy, but perpetual and shameful prosecution and outrage for the vanquished."

The Daily News concedes that the German note to neutrals is not without merits, as it probably makes the best of the case, but contends that its generalizations are merely specious its detailed arguments almost wholly false. The News says it does not desire a better tribunal than history regarding the origins of the war, and declares that history already has given judgment upon the other contentions raised by Germany. In this instance it mentions Belgium, saying:

"The pleas advanced by Germany are so preposterous that their inclusion is almost incredible.

"The asertion that lawlessness on the sea began with arbitrary measures taken by Great Britain will fall with a shock of amazement upon the ears of the nation which in February, 1915, had to issue a warning holding Germany to strict accountability for her acts. • • • It is useless to waste time in argument with a controversalist to whom words are meaningless.

"It is not yet apparent what the next diplomatic step will be. The gulf disclosed between the aims of the Entente Allies and the aims of the Central Powers is wide, but the prospect of bridging it is probably less hopeless than would appear."

SAYS AMERICA HAS MEN AND MEANS TO PROVIDE SAFETY

Garrison Says Nation Should Not Enter Peace League Through Fear.

New York, Jan. 12.—Unless the present problems confronting the United States are settled soon and rightly, the nation "must mourn in sackcloth and ashes" for it is folly and heedlessness, Lindley M. Garrison, former Secretary of War, said in an addres tonight before the New York State Bar Association.

Mr. Garrison declared that the energies of the wisest and best leaders the nation can produce will be taxed to determine the part the United States should play in world politics. He added that proposals arising from men who love their country, revolving around the central idea of a world alliance to enforce peace through a world court had his whole hearted sympathy but that the nation must not "let emotion lead us into a radical departure from the policy which has kept us great."

NEW REPORT TO BE MADE ON THE IMMIGRATION BILL

Measure Probably Will Be Sent to President Early Next Week

Washington, Jan. 12.—Final action on the Immigration bill was delayed by the House today by a point of order against the action of the conference committee in fixing a new effective date. The measure was referred back to the conferes who probably will mak a new report to both houses tomorrow with the effective date changed to May, 1917, as it was fixed by the Senate. Prompt acceptance of the report is expected and the much discussed bill, already passed by both houses by overwhelming majorities, probably will go to the President early next week.

Speaker Clark today over-ruled a point of order made by Representative Gardner, of Massachusetts, against the action of the conferees in framing the new clause in the Asiatic exclusion section to meet the objection of the State Department that the original language was offensive to Japan.

PRESIDENT RETURNS THE SALUTE OF WOMEN 'PICKETS'

"Silent Sentinels" Defy Cold Wind and Temperature Below Freezing.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Although the temperature was 11 degrees below freezing and a cold wind was blowing the 12 suffrage "silent sentinels" again took up their picketing of the White House today to impress their cause upon President Wilson.

When President Wilson returned from golf, the "silent sentinels" stood at salute with right hands raised to their hats. The President smilingly returned the salute, noticing the sentinels for the first time.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Bethany Presbyterian church.—Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with celebration of the Lord's Supper. Sunday school at 3. Christian Endeavor Society at 7:30. Residents of the community are cordially invited to the services.

Delgado Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor.—Services Sunday evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 10:15. Midweek service Thursday evening at 7:30. Visitors will find a hearty welcome at the services.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor.—Services Sunday evening at 7:45, conducted by the pastor, with celebration of the Lord's Supper. Sunday school at 3:30. Midweek prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:45. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend the services.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor.—Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 by the pastor. Sunday school at 9:45. Epworth League Tuesday evening at 8. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. The public and the strangers in the city are cordially invited to attend all the services.

St. John's church, Red Cross and Third streets, Rev. R. E. Gribbin, rector.—The second Sunday after the Epiphany January 14, 1917. Holy Communion in the morning at 7:30. Morning prayer and sermon at 11. Sunday school in the afternoon at 4. Evening prayer and sermon at 8. The morning sermon will deal with the place of miracles in Christian thought and practice. Hearty welcome to all. Every seat free.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell Street, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor—Preaching service Sunday morning at 11. Sabbath school in the afternoon at 3:30. Junior Christian Endeavor at 4:45. Joint service 7:30 in the evening. Address on "Mission Study" by Rev. John I. Armstrong, Educational secretary of the Missionary Survey. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. The public is cordially invited to all services.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. W. H. Koelling, pastor.—Sunday school in the morning at 10:30. Preaching at 11:30. Junior Christian Endeavor in the evening at 7:30. Prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Harnett street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge.—Sunday school in the morning at 9:30. Preaching every fourth Sunday.

TO SAVE STATE CAPITOL.

Women of Tennessee Engaged in Patriotic Endeavor.

(From Memphis Commercial-Appeal.)

The Centennial Club, of Nashville, has launched a movement for the restoration and preservation of the Capitol building and its surroundings. Other organizations and individuals throughout the state have signified their intention of joining in the campaign. It is a patriotic work, and as is the case in most movements inspired by sentiment and patriotism, the women have taken the lead.

The business of the state has long since outgrown the quarters originally provided. The Capitol was first used by the legislature of Tennessee of 1853 and has been used continually since that time. The Governor has offices there, the Supreme Court of Tennessee sits there, and for years the entire business of the state was carried on with ease in the Capitol.

Many departments have been forced to seek quarters outside. Buildings on three sides of the historic structure have been secured. This property could be secured by the state at a reasonable price, necessary buildings erected thereon and thus leave the beautiful grounds surrounding the Capitol building untouched and unspoiled.

In the past there have been some surroundings that have been a sad blow to state pride, and even worse things have only been averted through strenuous effort on the part of a few far-seeing individuals who realized the importance of this patriotic and civic movement.

That the hour has struck for concerted efforts along this line is the belief of these patriotic workers, and they have met with cordial responses from many who have heard of the movement.

The fruition of the hopes of those engaged in this work should seem assured and the aid of every patriotic citizen of the state is asked in this laudable movement.

BIBLICAL BOTTLES NOT GLASS.

Wine Receptacles Were Made from Skin of Animals.

(From the Scientific American Supplement.)

Who made the first bottle has never been determined, but the necessity for some means of transporting liquids, of which water was undoubtedly the first to be considered, must have existed from the beginning of the human race, and it is generally considered probable that the first receptacle for this purpose was made from the skin of an animal. This was removed with as little mutilation as possible, and all the unavoidable openings carefully sewn up, leaving a single leg for filling or emptying, which was tied up with a cord.

These we know were used ages ago by many primitive people, and have since been employed extensively in many parts of the world, and even today they may be seen in use in some Oriental countries. It was this kind of a bottle that was referred to in the Bible in the much-quoted dictum relating to putting new wine into old bottles. The objection to this procedure was that the skin of an old bottle has become fully stretched and weakened by use, and if new wine was put into it the pressure of the gases generated by the continued fermentation of the wine would burst the bottle.

It is a generally accepted fact that glass making and glass bottles originated among the Egyptians, although at what date no one has presumed to state. Even in Egypt, however, the art of glass making in its early history appears to have been confined to certain localities, and was not practiced at all widely.

Lady Grenfell Dead

London, Jan. 13.—Lady Grenfell, widow of Vice Admiral Sir Harry Grenfell, once commander of the British China squadron, died yesterday. She was a daughter of Andrew Low, of Savannah, Ga.

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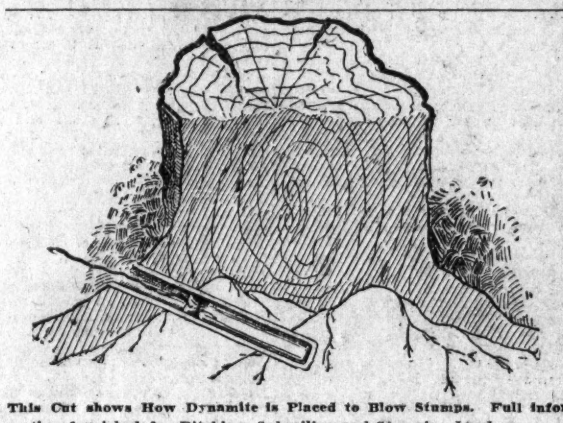
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON SLIGHTLY HIGHER

Conflicting Views on Peace Prospects Largely Responsible For Nervousness and Irregularity

New York, Jan. 12.—Most of an early advance was lost in the cotton market today with May contracts selling off from 18.62 to 18.39 and closing at 18.42. The general list closed steady at a net advance of 4 to 8 points. Conflicting views of peace prospects seemed responsible for much of the nervousness and irregularity.

The market opened firm at an advance of 1 to 15 points and an active demand from some of the recent sellers with continued buying by spot house brokers sent March contracts up to 18.87 and July to 18.61. At this level, however, offerings increased and the market soon turned easier. The scattering short interest appeared to have covered on the early advance while trade buying was less in evidence and prices broke pretty sharply during the afternoon under liquidation and a renewal of local pressure. March sold off to 18.17 and July to 18.40 and the market closed to within a point or two of the lowest. There was on change in the general character of spot news many reports being received of firmness in the interior and of sales at the highest basis of the season.

Cotton futures table:

	Open	High	Low	Close
January	17.94	18.08	17.94	18.00
March	18.16	18.37	18.16	18.19
May	18.45	1862	18.39	18.42
July	18.51	18.61	18.40	18.43
October	17.22	17.26	17.13	17.14

Spot quiet; middling uplands 18.15; no sales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 18.12; receipts 3,099; exports 4,800; sales 2,880; stock 491,917.

Galveston—Middling 18.35; receipts 7,720; sales 503; stock $60,339.

Mobile—Middling 18.00; receipts 205; sales 25; stock 9,039.

Savannah—Middling 18.50; receipts 1,185; sales 16; stock 189,351.

Charleston—Middling 18.00; receipts 319; exports 1,000; stock 62,314.

Wilmington—Middling 18.00; receipts 131; stock 51,084.

Texas City—Receipts 2,356.

Norfolk—Middling 18.13; receipts 895; sales 607; stock 110,228.

Baltimore—Receipts 1,683; exports 1,491; stock 4,840.

Boston—Middling 18.15; receipts 52; stock 10,219.

Philadelphia—Middling 18.40; exports 2,594; stock 1,843.

New York—Middling 18.15; receipts 703; stock 152,967.

Minor Ports—Receipts 2,718; stock 47,993.

Atlanta (weekly)—Stock 80,614.

Total today—Receipts 21,066; exports 9,885; stock 1,492,134.

Total for week—Receipts 153,163; exports 123,834.

Total for season—Receipts 5,197,653; exports 3,371,671.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 18.20; receipts 7,178; shipments 13,226; sales 337; stock 227,392.

Memphis—Middling 18.50; receipts 4,659; shipments 5,261; sales 600; stock 333,013.

Augusta—Middling 18.38; receipts 422; shipments 633; sales 191; stock 145,713.

St. Louis—Middling 18.50; receipts 2,365; shipments 2,911; stock 30,153.

Cincinnati—Receipts 837; shipments 635; stock 22,309.

Little Rock—Middling 18.25; receipts 268; shipments 699; sales 699; stock 44,530.

Dallas—Middling 17.80; sales 1,144.

Montgomery—Middling 18.25.

Total today—Receipts 15,714; shipments 23,365; stock 803,110.

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks. In thousands bales:

In sight for week, 285.

In sight same seven days last year, 340.

In sight for month, 522.

In sight same date last year, 548.

In sight for season, 9,421.

In sight same date last year, 8,174.

Port receipts for season, 5,198.

Port receipts same date last year, 4,552.

Overland to mills and Canada for season, 873.

Overland same date last year, 682.

Southern mill takings for season, 2,545.

Southern mill takings same date last year, 2,038.

Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 806.

Interior stocks last year, 902.

Foreign exports for week, 139.

Foreign exports same seven days last year, 157.

Foreign exports for season, 3,372.

Foreign exports same date last year, 2,515.

Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 83.

Northern spinners' takings same seven days last year, 109.

Northern spinners' takings for season, 1,634.

Northern spinners' takings to same date last year, 1,635.

Statement of World's Visible Supply.

Total visible this week, 5,521.

Total visible last week, 5,587.

Total visible same date last year, 5,982.

Of this the total American this week, 4,364.

Total American last week, 4,439.

Total American last year, 4,530.

All other kinds this week, 1,157.

All other kinds last week, 1,143.

All other kinds last year, 1,452.

Visible in the United States this week, 2,618.

Visible in the United States this date last year, 3,051.

Visible in other countries this week, 2,903.

Visible in other countries this date last year, 2,931.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Jan. 13.—Turpentine, nothing doing, 53½c; sales none; receipts 77; shipments 1,015; stock 22,429.

Rosin—Firm; sales 67; receipts 330; shipments 1,325; stock 89,358. Quote: A B C D E, 6.25; F G, 6.27½; H I, 6.32½; K, 6.50; M, 6.70; N, 6.85; WG, 7.00; WW, 7.25.

All Wool Sweaters $1.50
each today at C. H. Fore & Co.—(Adv.)

WEEK'S COTTON REVIEW

Nervousness and Irregularity Follow Early Advances—Prices for the Week Show Decline.

New York, Jan. 12.—Early week advances were followed by renewed nervousness and irregularity in the cotton market. May contracts which had sold at 19.08 Tuesday, or more than $13 per bale above the low level of last month, broke to 18.23 Thursday and closed at 18.42.

The buying movement responsible for the recovery to the 19 cent level, was promoted by the bullish average of spot advices, and the strengthened technical position after the big decline of before Christmas. It seemed, however, that the demand from shorts had been pretty well supplied by the middle of the week, while a less favorable view of immediate peace propects and the unsettled ocean freight situation led to scattering liquidation on the subsequent declines.

No chance has been reported in the Southern spot situation. Notwithstanding the high ocean freight rates and the dimculty of securing tonnage, exporters are believed to have been buyers in the South and numerous reports have been received here of sales at the highest basis of the season. Toward the end of the week, however, the attention of the trade appeared to be turning from the spot situation to the uncertainties of international affairs.

It is reported that early sales of fertilizers in the South have been heavy, ponting to the largest use of fertilizers since 1914, but there have been continued complaints of insufficient rainfall in the Southwest and expectations of increased acreage have also been modified by the situation as to boll weevil. These conflicting features in the new crop outlook have increased the feeling of uncertainty and many think the week's business reflected a redutcion in the outstanding interest.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Chippewa, Maguire, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,333 tons, Heilasch, Helde & Co.

Str Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Helde & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 12.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—Nominal.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $2.10-$2½c; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)
Rosin .....(—)
Tar 42
Crude Turpentine 6

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, 6 barrels; tar, 82 barrels; crude turpentine, 15 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — 18c.; same day last year, 11¾c.

Receipts—126 bales; same day last year, 418 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 74,761 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 133,016 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Jan. 12.

Atlantic Coast Line—124 bales cotton; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—2 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—2 barrels crude turpintine.

Schr. Addie Mae—42 barrels tar.

Total—126 bales cotton; 42 barrels tar; 6 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 12.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 65c. to 70c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, 2 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 20c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 25c head.

EGGS—32c to 33c dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 12.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers stock, fancy handpicked, $1.25; No. 1, machine, $1.20 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy handpicked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.30; Jumbos, $1.25 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 13.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market, steady, $1.30 per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. to 4 1-2c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¾c. to 4c. per lb.; Prime, 3½c. to 3¾c.; Shelling stock, 3c. to 3½c.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Jan. 12.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal 5.39; molasses 4.52; refined steady; fine granulated 6.75.

Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio 7s, 10c; Santos 4s, 11c.

STOCKS FORCED DOWNWARD

Tenor of Allies' Response to Wilson's Peace Note Causes Considerable Short Covering

New York, Jan. 12.—Today's stock market was professional and apathetic and gains of one to almost three points at the opening, due mainly to short covering on the tenor of the response of the Entente Allies, were soon effaced. Later rallies carried some leaders back to best quotations of the morning, but prices yielded slightly before the close on moderate pressure.

Transactions, except in United States Steel, Coppers, Oils and Industrial Alcohol, were mostly in small lots. Canadian Pacific, New Haven and Rock Island were once more the least impressive features of the railway group. Reading and some of minor coalers making a better showing. The balance of the list attracted little attention and even less support.

Money movements of the week indicate a further material strengthening of local bank reserves. Continued ease of time and call accommodations, resulted chiefly from the small demand, the loan accounts of brockers being reduced to nominal proportions.

That the year is likely to be one of large domestic financing was further evidenced by the announcement of the purchase by an international banking house of $60,000,000 first mortgage 5 per cent bonds of the United States Rubber Company, the proceeds to be used mainly for refunding purposes.

Investment bonds including Internationals were steady to strong but speculative issues were variably lower Total sales par value $5,450,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	27
American Beat Sugar	93
American Can	46
American Car & Foundry	65¾
American Cotton Oil	49¼
American Locomotive	76
American Smelting	106½
American Sugar	111½
American Tel & Tel.	123½
American Tobacco	317
American Zinc	36½
Anaconda Copper	82⅞
Atchison	104½
Atlantic Coast Line	116⅛
Baldwin Locomotive	55
Baltimore & Ohio	83⅛
Bethlehem Steel	460
Canadian Pacific	158½
Central Leather	91⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	64
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	88¾
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	30⅞
Colorado Fuel & Iron	45½
Consolidated Gas	129¾
Corn Products	21⅝
Crucible Steel	62½
Cuba Cane Sugar	49½
Erie	32
General Electric	168
Great Northern pfd	116
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	35⅝
Goodrich	55
Illinois Central	106
Inspiration Copper, ex div.	56⅞
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	79⅞
International Nickel	41⅜
International Paper	44
Kansas City Southern	24
Kennecott Copper	45¾
Lehigh Valley	77⅛
Louisville & Nashville	131¼
Lorillard Co.	222
Maxwell Motors	52
Mexican Petroleum	104
National Lead	58⅞
New York Central	101¼
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	46¾
Norfolk & Western	133
Northern Pacific	108
Pennsylvania	56½
Ray Consolidated Copper	26⅛
Reading	99¾
Republic Iron & Steel	78⅞
Saboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line pfd	37⅞
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	67
Studebaker Corporation	104⅞
Southern Pacific	96⅝
Southern Railway	30⅝
Southern Railway pfd	69
Tennessee Copper w.i.	14¾
Texas Company	230¾
Union Pacific	143½
United Fruit	147¾
United States Rubber	62½
United States Steel	111⅝
United States Steel pfd	120
Utah Copper	104⅞
Virginia Caro. Chm.	42
Wabash pfd "B"	28¾
Western Union	95⅝
Westinghouse Electric	53½
Missouri Pacific w.i.	31

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 12.—Spot cotton easier; good middling 11.27; middling 11.11; low middling 10.93; sales 7,000 bales; 70 0for speculation and export; receipts 700 for speculation and export; receipts

Futures steady. January 10.89; January and February 10.89; February and March 10.92; March and April 10.97; April and May 10.97; May and June 11.00; June and July 10.99; July and August 10.98; August and September 10.72; September and October 10.43; October and November 10.30; November and December 10.23; December and January 10.18; January and February 10.15.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Jan. 12.—Beeves, barely steady; steers 8.85 to 9.75; bulls 5.75 to 8.50; cows 4.00 to 7.00; choice to extra fed 7.25 to 7.75.

Calves—Steady; veals 11.00 to 16.00; culls 8.00 to 10.50; Indiana and Ohio calves 6.50 to 9.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Firm; lambs 14.00 to 14.60.

Hogs—Market higher at 10.50 to 11.25; pigs 9.50 to 10.50; roughs 9.75.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Jan. 12.—Mercantile paper 3¾; sterling 60 day bills 4.71½; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.71½; commercial 60 day bills 4.71¼; demand 4.75⅞; cables 4.76½. Bar silver 74⅝; Mexican dollars 57⅝; government bonds steady; railroad bonds strong. Time loans steady; 60 and 90 days 3 to 3¼; six months 3¼ to 3½. Call money steady; ruling rate 3 per cent.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Jan. 12.—Cotton goods were steady and quiet today. Yarns were fairly steady. Wool markets were firm. Ready to wear goods in fair demand.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 13, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 23 degrees; at 8 P. M., 33 degrees; maximum 35 degrees; minimum 22 degrees; mean, 28 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; Rainfall for the month, to date, .50 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 5.3 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Probably rain and warmer Saturday; Sunday clearing and colder.

The Port Calendar, Jan. 13, 1917.

Sun rises .....7:18 A. M.
Sun sets .....5:24 P. M.
Day's length .....10 hrs. 6 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	12:49	1:04	8:15	8:42
Southport	10:44	11:10	4:59	5:24
Masonboro Inlet	10:33	10:59	4:39	5:04

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 13, 1917.

STATIONS.	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	rain	60	46	.0
Asheville	cldy	32	8	.0
Atlanta	clear	38	18	.0
Augusta	clear	40	22	.0
Baltimore	cldy	26	....	.0
Birmingham	clear	48	24	.0
Boston	clear	16	4	.0
Charleston	clear	38	28	.0
Charlotte	cldy	32	18	.0
Chicago	snow	22	4	.16
Galveston	cldy	68	52	.0
Jaxville	clear	50	30	.0
Memphis	cldy	46	28	.0
Mobile	pt cldy	52	34	.0
Montgomery	clear	46	26	.0
N. Orleans	clear	62	38	.0
New York	clear	22	8	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	44	40	.0
Palestine	cldy	66	42	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	22	8	.0
Raleigh	clear	32	18	.0
Savannah	cldy	42	28	.0
Shreveport	cldy	60	34	.0
St. Louis	pt cldy	40	18	.0
Washton	pt cldy	26	14	.0

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Almost complete stoppage of export buying added greatly today to weakness which the wheat market developed as a result of profit taking by bulls who had anticipated the reply of the Entente Allies to President Wilson. Prices closed nervous ⅝ to 2¾c net lower with May at 1.84⅝ to 1.85, and July at 1.50 to 1.50¾. Corn finished ⅞ down and oats off ½ to ¾. An advance of 10 to 47c was the outcome in provisions.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.84⅝; July 1.50.

Corn—May 97⅞; July 96⅝.

Oats—May 56⅞; July 54.

Pork—January 28.90; May 28.62.

Lard—January 18.57; May 16.02.

Ribs—January 14.67; May 15.10.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.93 to 1.94; No. 3 red 1.89 to 1.90; No. 2 hard 1.97; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 97½; No. 4 yellow 94 to 96; No. 4 white 96 to 96½.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans, Jan. 12.—A steadier feeling marked the trading in cotton here today, chiefly because the Entente note did not contain the bearish features which the trade yesterday feared it might. The market remained at a net advance all day and close at a gain of 6 to 9 points, compared to yesterday's close.

The market was about $1 a bale up in the early trading and around the middle of the morning stood at its highest, a net gain of 23 to 27 points. Toward the middle of the day room traders took profits on long contracts and prices fell off. In the afternoon an easy tone developed on the comparatively small mill takings for the week and much of the advance was lost. At the lowest levels the active months still were 1 to 10 points over yesterday's close.

Futures closing bid: January 17.79; March 17.81; May 18.03; July 18.18; October 16.79.

Spot cotton steady and unchanged. Sales on the spot 2,665; to arrive 215; middling 18.13.

DUN'S TRADE REVIEW

New York, Jan. 12—Dun's Review tomorrow will say:

"With the end of the holidays and annual settlements, business has regained momentum in many branches and sections, though wholesome conservatism and caution are everywhere manifest. Each week the question of future economic readjustments enters more largely into calculations and doubts as to the changes that must ultimately be effected cause hesitancy both in legitimate trade and industry and in speculation. After a long period of extraordinary buying some abatement of demand is to be expected and with the works booked to capacity for months to come there is little, if any, yielding among producers, who still are more concerned with the problem of making deliveries on previous contracts than in securing additional orders.

"Weekly bank clearings, $5,357,643,070."

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Hogs, active, 10 to 15c above yesterday's average; bulk 10.45 to 10.75; light 10.00 to 10.65; mixed 10.25 to 10.50; heavy 10.35 to 10.85; rough 10.35 to 10.50; pigs 7.75 to 9.65.

Cattle—Weak; native beef cattle 7.75 to 11.80; Western steers 7.50 to 10.00; stockers and feeders 5.50 to 8.35; cows and heifers 4.40 to 10.00; calves 9.75 to 14.25.

Sheep—Unsettled; wethers 8.50 to 10.65; ewes 7.25 to 10.25; lambs 11.60 to 14.00.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 12.—Tenders of 1,500 barrels on January contracts had a depressing effect upon cotton oil today despite the steady showing in lard and cotton. Liquidation was quite general. Final prices were 6 to 15 points net lower. Sales 22,300 barrels.

The market closd stady. Spot 12.05 bid; January 12.07 to 12.10; February 12.08 to 12.12; March 12.07 to 12.08; April 12.07 to 12.09; May 12.07 to 12.08; June 12.08 to 12.15; July 12.15 to 12.16. August 12.14 to 12.15.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, [illegible] Jan. 8, 1917.
Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound, until 7:00 A. M.	[illegible] A. M. [illegible] except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48 8:00 A. M Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Pirior cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 3:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 62 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

WEEK DAYS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	.....	6:15 A.M.	6:26 A.M.
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A.M.	.....	7:40 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	8:01 A.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	.....	.....	8:30 A.M.	8:41 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:25 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
1:10 P.M.	1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	11:45 P.M.	1:50 P.M.	2:01 P.M.
1:55 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	.....	.....	2:25 P.M.	2:36 P.M.
2:20 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:00 P.M.	3:11 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	.....	3:50 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	4:30 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	.....	.....	5:10 P.M.
4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3,

SUNDAYS

EASTBOUND.			WESTBOUND.		
Leave "Electric Center." for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Center." for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Center." for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	17:05 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	7:26 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	19:05 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
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5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:45 P.M.	5:55 P.M.	6:06 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
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FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

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$13.95—Atlanta, Ga.

Account Southeastern Land Show and the National Association of Builders Exchanges of the U. S. Tickets will be sold Jan. 31 and Feb. 3, 10, 11 and 14, limited returning until Feb. 20, but may be extended to March 6th by depositing and paying $1.00.

$23.45—Pensacola, Fla.
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$28.75—New Orleans, La.

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On sale January

TREPOFF'S FALL WAS FORCED BY EMPEROR

Took Decided Stand Against Radical Element of Russia

Premier's Involuntary Resignation Linked With Assassination of the Monk, Rasputin—Protopopoff Power Behind Throne

Berlin, Jan. 12, (via Sayville).—The fall of Premier Trepoff, of Russia, is said by the Overseas News Agency to have been occasioned by the decision of Emperor Nicholas to take a decided stand against the radical elements. In discussing M. Trepoff, the news agency says the emperor was prompted by the assassination of the Monk, Gregory Rasputin. The following details, the news agency says, have just been received from Russia:

"The involuntary resignation of M. Trepoff and M. Ignatieff (former minister of education) was described as beginning the complete reorganization of the Russian government. Prompted by the assassination of Rasputin, the emperor decided to take the firmest stand against advocates of a compromise with the duma and against the radical elements.

"M. Trepoff and the other members of the cabinet, with the exception of M. Protopopoff, minister of the interior, were shielding the murderers. M. Protopopoff was confirmed in office by the emperor without the knowledge of M. Trepoff. Thereupon the premier and other ministers protested against recent developments. The emperor replied that he had decided to re-organize the cabinet and exclude all ministers who had taken part in the protest. M. Trepoff and M. Ignatieff already have left the cabinet.

"The power behind the throne is now M. Protopopoff, Prince Golitzene, who nominally is the new prime minister, is best characterized as to his political tendency as a saying of his which is known all over Russia: 'The duma will keep quiet as soon as it gets a beating.'"

NEW AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR EMBARKS FOR UNITED STATES

Says That as Envoy to America he Expects no Difficulties.

Rotterdam, Jan. 12, (via London, Jan. 13).—"I am looking forward with pleasure and confidence to renewing my acquaintance with Washington," said Count Adam Tarnowski von Tarnow, the new Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States, before embarking on the steamer Noordam tonight for New York.

The ambassador speaks English fluently and recalled the time when, as an attache, he spent several years in Washington. Since that he has not been to the United States.

"However," said Count Tarnowski, "I go as a friend and know that I shall meet friends. I anticipate no difficulties, as there are no complications of any sort between the United States and Austria-Hungary."

The Countess Tarnowski, who recently was ill, now has recovered and with her son, will proceed to the United States within a few months.

MEXICANS WHO DELIVERED BODY OF SOLDIER TO GET $50.

American Corporal of Company C, Ninth Infantry, Murdered.

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 12.—The War Department has authorized Major General Funston, commanding the Southern Department, to pay $50 demande dby Mexicans for the delivery of the body of Corporal John H. Stewart, C company, of the Ninth United States Infantry. The body of the soldier was found Tuesday night on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande river with the throat cut, the theory of death being murder. The American forces at Laredo were notified and subsequently they asked for the body. Thereupon the Mexicans demanded $100, later making the sum $50.

Stewart's relatives have been located, it is understood, and the body will be cared for at their direction.

BROTHERHOODS WILL AWAIT DECISION ON ADAMSON LAW

Chicago, Jan. 12—Delegates from the four big railway brotherhoods, in the concluding sessions of their conference today, discussed various phases of the railway employment situation. No formal action was taken, it being decided that nothing should be done until after the United States Supreme Court has ruled upon the constitutionality of the Adamson law.

Among the subjects discussed were methods to combat the passage of a compulsory investigation of rail disputes as outlined in the Adamson act.

"The railway employes never will countenance any compulsory investigation which compels the men to remain at work while the other fellow prepares for a strife," said W. G. Lee, the head of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

HAMLET MAN DIES AS RESULT OF BEING SHOT AT FULTON, S. C.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Hamlet, N. C., Jan. 12.—J. W. Bales, of this place, died in the Hamlet hospital last night as a result of injuries received when he was shot just before Christmas at Fulton, S. C., about 15 miles south of here. Tom Hare, father-in-law of the deceased, is in jail at Bennettsville, S. C., charged with the shooting, and will be tried for murder.

Bales was a carpenter by trade and a good citizen. From information received in Hamlet there had been bad blood between them and Hare had threatened to kill his son-in-law the first time he saw him, and proceeded to do it.

NEW ADAMSON BILL TAKEN UP BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 12—Representative Adamson's bill designed to carry out President Wilson's recommendations for legislation supplementing the Adamson law passed last season was taken up today by the House Commerce committee, which will attempt to get the measure before the House as soon as possible regardless of the progress of imilar railroad legislation in the Senate. The Senate Commerce committee concluded a series of hearings on the subject yesterday and the work of framinfi a bill will begin tomorrow.

BODY OF YOUNG WOMAN FOUND IN HOTEL ROOM

Had Gash in Neck and a Bullet Wound Through the Head

Columbus, Ohio, Police Searching For "G. V. Van Brunt, of Chicago," to Whom the Room Was Assigned on the Hotel Register.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 12.—Mona Simon, 25 years old, said to have been a member of a prominent Grafton, W. Va., family, was found cut to death in a leading Columbus hotel today and the police are seeking a man said to have been employed until recently in a Kansas City brokerage house. The victim, juvenile court officers said, recently had become addicted to drink.

The room in which the young woman was found was assigned on the hotel register to "G. V. Van Brunt, of Chicago." A sporting writer on a Columbus paper told the police that the man who occupied the room told him he was traveling under an assumed name because of a "girl scrape" in Kansas City. The newspaper man said "Van Brunt" talked to Joe Tinker, of Chicago, owner of the Columbus baseball club, Wednesday, about getting a job. He is said to have been divorced in Huntington, Ind. He left the hotel without paying his bill, taking the key with him, according to the police.

The body of Miss Simon was discovered late this evening, and, according to the coroner, she had been dead more than 12 hours. A maid opened the door of the room at noon and saw the body on the floor but did not investigate, thinking the young woman asleep.

When the housekeeper entered the room later she found the girl dead with a gash in the neck and a bullet wound through the head. Blood soaked towels were found in the bath adjoining, as if some one had endeavored to remove blood stains. An empty shell from a revolver was found on the floor.

The rooms of the hotel are sound proof and no one heard a shot, and beyond the opinion of the coroner, there was nothing to indicate when the tragedy occurred.

PUT SEAL MONEY TO WORK

"Unwise Policy," Says Board of Health, to Let it Lie Idle.

"Just what to do with the money raised from selling Red Cross Christmas Seals is a question puzzling many a committee just now," says the State Board of Health. "In many cases the amount raised is not sufficient, perhaps, to employ a nurse or to support a patient long enough to be benefitted at the State Sanatorium. In smaller places, it may not be but a very few dollars.

"But this fact," emphasises the Board, "should not be a cause to delay putting to work the money already on hand. Oftentimes money raised from the sale of Red Cross Seals for the purpose of aiding the anti-tuberculosis cause is allowed to lie idle from two, four to six months. The writer knows of a committee who kept idle and on hand a nice little sum raised from seloing seals ten months and who finally advertised for some person to apply and make use of the money. A result of this unwise procedure has been that the sale of Red Cross Seals is no longer popular or considered worth while in that town.

"Regardless of the amount," says the Board," it should be put to work as soon as possible. The way one North Carolina town did this last year commends itself to others. The amount raised from selling seals was far insufficientn for employing a nurse, the original plan of the committee, but the deficit was soon provided for. All that the committee had to do was to ask for the co-operation of the various firms—banks, mills, insurance companies, schools, ets. that would be benefitted from the work of a nurse in the town, with the result that the nurse was not only employed but was put to work with a well equipped office and was backed by the support and interest of the entire town."

FOREIGN MISSION BOARDS CLOSE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Co-Operation in Work in South America and Africa Endorsed.

Garden City, N. Y., Jan. 12.—Co-operation of Protestant missionary boards of the United States in extending their work in South America and Africa was endorsed by the annual conference of the foreign missionary boards of North America which closed here today.

To make the work more effective, it was decided to incorporate the executive committee, known as the committee of reference and counsel.

LEGISLATURE NOW MARKING TIME AND RESTING FROM RUSH

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ator Jones to approve the action of Governor Craig and the directors of the State's Prison in paying out $4,060 in Christmas gifts of $10 each to the dependent families of State convicts, and making an appropriation of this amount to take care of the obligation. However, there was no inclination to go into the matter at this time and a postponement was voted to Thursday of next week.

New bills in the House were:

Bailey—Amend 1905 act as to pensions.

Holding, provide uniform warehouse receipts.

Grant, authorize bonds by New Hanover to cover indebtedness created by workhouse construction.

Jackson—Amend the law as to public statements in Henderson county.

A bill passed to abolish treasurer's office in Yancey.

PERSHING'S FORCE MAY SOON RETURN TO AMERICAN SIDE

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relieve National Guardsmen now held there. Notice already has been given of the intention of the United States to send other expeditions into Mexico whenever the operations of lawless forces on that side make it necessary.

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ATTENTION U. C. T.—THE REGULAR meeting of Cape Fear Council will be held this, Saturday, evening, Jan. 13th, at 8 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to attend as business of special importance will be transacted. Fraternally, W. C. Smith, secretary. ja 13-1t

LOST PUPPY—A PUPPY HAS TAKEN up at my house that the owner can have by proving and paying for this advertisement. M. L. Alderman, 12 North Fifth avenue. ja 13-1t*

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was then checked by the efforts of the company's employes.

Other buildings in the plant and many in the village were shattered by the explosion.

No estimate was available of the number of men at work when the disaster occurred, but company officials rounded up their men to check up the casualties. It is feared that two who were employed in the "glazing barrel" lost their lives.

Rescue parties were quickly organized to search for the injured and as soon as they were found they were taken to the company's private hospital. All the doctors available were summoned.

Haskell is situated in a remote section of Passaic county and communication with it either by telephone or telegraph ceased after the first explosion. As a consequence reports of heavy loss of life soon were circulated in nearby places.

Following so close upon the destruction of the Kingsland plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, the explosion threw all northern New Jersey into a panic. The sky was crimsoned by the conflagration and the flames were plainly visible as far away as Yonkers.

The shock of the explosion was so great that persons in New York, Brooklyn and New Jersey cities for 20 miles from Haskell believed there had been an earthquake.

Roads leading into Haskell in all directions soon were filled with conveyances of every kind, carrying physicians, nurses, policemen and firemen. Terror-stricken women living in nearby communities whose husbands were employed at Haskell made frantic efforts to force their way past guards and it was long after the explosions before they were convinced that many had not perished.

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AMERICAN BUSINESS AFTER WAR

Early Period of Readjustment Will Not Have Injurious Effects.

(Springfield Republican).

The best business judgment of the nation now seems to hold that the earlier period of economic readjustment following the war will not have severely injurious effects upon this country. For a while at least, Europe must continue to buy and America to sell. The Central Powers will offer us markets which have been closed for 2 1-2 years, and the Entente Powers will require material for rebuilding their devastated territory. The competitive power of war-stricken Europe in the earlier years of the coming peace has probably been overrated. Europe, too, will suffer from a labor shortage due to the toll of death and crippling wounds on the battlefields, and the loss in man power will have a real effect on Europe's competitive position, especially if the war continues through this year. European labor as well as European capital will be handicapped by heavy taxes. A sum equal to the total annual budgets of France, Great Britain and Germany before the war began will have to be paid by those countries as interest on their new war debts when the war is ended. With their labor supply reduced, their capital resources greatly impaired and the burdens of taxation much increased, thsoe countries cannot immediately jump back into the world's markets as the most formidable competitors for trade. Even the workingman's wages in Europe must be increased after the war, if he is to be prevented from emigrating, on account of labor scarcity and the lure of high wages in America; and thus the cost of production in Europe may go up to the advantage of American manufacturers.

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